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Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter is to inform you that Don Mills CI will be hosting an Elections Canada polling station for the upcoming Federal Election on Monday, September 20, 2021. As this is a school day, I wanted to provide you with information about the health and safety protocols, guided by direction from Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health, that will be put in place to ensure the safety of students and staff on election day.

The polling station will be held in our school's gymnasium and students and staff will not be able to access this space on September 20. Visitors accessing the polling station will enter the gymnasium (*directly OR through the exterior door immediately adjacent to the gymnasium*). Clear signage will be posted and security will be on school property to direct voters to the polling station and ensure that they remain in the designated polling area.

Schools play a very important role in local communities, particularly when it comes to reducing barriers to voting opportunities. When polling stations are held in schools, student safety is always the top priority. This year, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, I wanted you to be aware of the extra precautions we have in place to keep our school community safe.

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Thank you,

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