



Welcome to the 2020-2021 School Year!

As we prepare to open our schools in September and welcome back students and staff, we are doing everything possible to ensure the health and safety of all school community members, while also providing the best academic experience possible for students, supporting mental health and well-being and considering the needs of families and staff. We have established new routines in the school. **Please read the information below carefully and thoroughly.**

Staggered Starts

Elementary schools start on September 15, 2020. There will be a staggered start for elementary students over the first three days (September 15 to 17). *Virtual Schools will begin on Thursday Sept. 17.* Teachers will be in touch with families who have chosen this option.

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Return-to-School/Learning-and-Instruction/Elementary-Virtual-Learning>

Once a student starts school on the first day for their grade, they continue to attend school every day on the schedule below.



DATE	KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 5 SCHOOLS	KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 6 SCHOOLS	KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 8 SCHOOLS	GRADE 6-7-8 SCHOOLS	GRADE 7-8 SCHOOLS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SENIOR KINDERGARTEN • GRADE 5 • ALL ISP CLASSES 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SENIOR KINDERGARTEN • GRADE 6 • ALL ISP CLASSES 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SENIOR KINDERGARTEN • GRADES 4 AND 8 • ALL ISP CLASSES 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GRADE 6 • ALL ISP CLASSES 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GRADE 7 • ALL ISP CLASSES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN • GRADE 1 • GRADE 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN • GRADE 1 • GRADE 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN • GRADE 1 • GRADE 7 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GRADE 7 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GRADE 8
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GRADE 2 • GRADE 3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GRADE 2 • GRADE 3 • GRADE 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GRADE 2 • GRADE 3 • GRADE 5 • GRADE 6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GRADE 8 	

How we have prepared the school to receive your child

The TDSB has been working over the summer to review strategies to prepare for students' return to school which include:

- Signage: There are outside lines to help students physically distance while lining up. There are signs on all of the doors and decals on the floors to help with efficient movement to classes and also to remind student how to wash their hands.

- Entrance Screening: All children are to sign in at the COVID CHECK-IN POINT prior to going to the playground. Parents will initial a list confirming that they have completed the Covid-self assessment for their child before they enter the school ground. We are asking that parents say good-bye to their children at the check point so that we can keep children only on the playground for health and safety reasons.
- Use the TDSB App for screening your child every morning. This will allow for quicker entrance into the school.
- Bathroom Posters--how to wash your hands
- Wellness room: Should a child exhibit two or more symptoms that are connected to Covid-19 they will be isolated with a staff in the wellness room. Parents will be called to pick up their child. The expectation is that parents come immediately after being called. It is recommended that the child be tested for Covid however at the least children must be clear of all symptoms for 24 hours before returning to school.

How\What do you do to prepare your child for school

- Practice wearing a mask at home
- Label all of your child's belongings with their name.
- Having two masks is recommended. Bring 2 Ziploc (paper) bags for masks (one marked clean and one marked dirty).
- Wash masks by hand daily.
- For easy access, consider using a fanny pack with your child's belongings including a personal bottle of hand sanitizer
- Water fountains are not available for drinking. Children need to bring a labelled water bottle for use during school. Water bottles can be filled at the water fountain station.
- Pack lunch in reusable containers as everything from lunch will be returning home.
- Students will be eating in their classroom prior to going outside at lunch. **Lunch time is now 40 minutes in length and we have three different lunch periods. If you are bringing your child home for lunch they can only return 5 minutes before their class line up time. We appreciate your help with this.**
- Be ready to drop off/pick up your child outside of the school at the Covid centre (marked on the pavement). JK/SK students will line up on the JK/SK (West) side of the school
- From grade 1 – 6 If possible provide your child with a labelled pencil case, pencils, scissors crayons that only they will use at school. Please let us know if you need us to provide these items for you.
- Please do not bring books and personal toys from home.
- Essential visitors only are allowed into the schools. Please contact your principal by phone or email if you wish to speak with them or your student.



Checklists for Families

Please use the link to see a daily checklist for families returning to school

https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Portals/0/docs/ACCESSIBLE_ChecklistElementary.pdf



Dressing for the weather!!!!

- Each day student will have time to enjoy outdoor play. Please make sure your child is dressed to go outside rain or shine.
- While the weather is warm we are asking parents to have students wear one pair of shoes to school. We suggest running shoes as they will be participating in Physical Education classes.



FIRST DAY AT GLEN RAVINE:

8:45 – 8:55 Students go through Covid Check and move to pavement area of school, Teachers will be there to greet their students and show them where to line up each day.

8:55 – 9:00 Students line up according to their room number

9:00 - Class start time

11:00 – 11:40 Cohort A Lunch (Grades 1/2 two classes) Please pick up your child at their lunch time at the front doors if they are going home for this week.

11:40 – 12:20 Cohort B Lunch (JK/SK classes, Grade 2/3 and Grade 3 classes)

12:20 – 1:00 Cohort C Lunch (Grade 4/5, 4/5 and 6 classes)

(Please note that your child is in class learning when they are not on their lunch break)

3:00 p.m. School Dismissal JK/SK students will be picked up by parents. All other students will be standing in their class line on the pavement and parents can come to pick them up.

Parents **should not** crowd near doors or enter the school to pick up their child.

Please note: If you are late to school please line up at the front door. When all students have been let settled we will open the doors and have parent sign the covid check and then drop off their child to go to class.

We can't wait to see you next week!