## M. G. TEED MEMORIAL SCHOOL

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Hello Teed Families,

After a clarifying meeting this evening, there are minimal updates to the memo sent out earlier today. Please note new items highlighted in yellow below.

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As you are aware, we are now in the Orange Phase and Mrs. Watson, our Superintendent, has reached out to families about our new protocols. We will be busily following these protocols and doing our part to bring us back to Yellow. As we move forward, we will continue with our Operational Plan and COVID protocols with the following new additions:

- All students and staff are required to wear a mask at all times with the exception of when they
  are eating or when participating in Physical Education activities (when the students are not
  participating in these activities, listening to instructions, waiting their turn....they will be masked
  up).
- Students MUST bring at least two clean masks to school each day as masks can become lost or wet. Masks are worn throughout the day during the Orange Phase so we want to make sure they are clean and comfortable for your child.
- Students who do not wear a mask cannot attend school. We will, of course, provide a mask in those cases when a student has lost or forgotten their mask. Should there be a medical reason your child cannot wear a mask, please contact the office for more information on how to move forward.
- Students will be required to wear a mask at all times on school buses, and, as per usual, upon entering and exiting the school.
- During recess students will be required to wear a mask when outside.
- As a precaution at our school, we will be closing the playground for this coming week, asking students not to use the equipment.
- All extracurricular activities and non-school sponsored activities such as EYE-DA assessments and Sistema have been cancelled.

During lunch and snack time students continue to eat within their classrooms, but they will all be separated from one another, even though they are still in their bubble....as one staff member called it....picnic time!

Please be assured that we will be following all the safety protocols as established by Public Health, EECD, ASD-South and our school to keep everyone safe. We still need your assistance in the following measures. Please

- continue at Home Screening each day prior to sending children to school.
- keep your child at home if they are unwell.
- contact 811 and/or your family doctor if symptoms appear.
- send your child to school with at least 2 clean masks each day.

We have included information on our school website since the beginning of our school year and will continue to do so as information is presented to us.

We have had questions about at-home learning assistance from the school during the Orange Phase; however, this is designed for children who have pre-existing health issues and needs to be documented by your family doctor. Our teachers send out weekly homework via Teams and other online sources. We have resources online for students to use as well at home. We are still open for business and hope to see all our students at school tomorrow, if you are considering not sending your youngster to school, please let your child's teacher know.

Once again, thank you so much for your ongoing support during these very different times. If we all follow the set-up protocols and self-monitor, we can get through this. Thank you again on behalf of all of us within the Teed School Community.

Mark Crowley, Principal