M. G. TEED MEMORIAL SCHOOL 151 Black Street Saint John, NB E2K 2L6



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Hello Teed Families,

I would like to welcome you all to M. Gerald Teed Memorial School for the 2020-2021 school year. Thank you for your patience this summer while we have worked on plans for a safe and successful reopening. Please stay tuned for more information as it comes in.

Staggered Entry Dates

As you are probably aware, the first week of school we will be doing a staggered student entry with small groups of students (around 5 students per class) so that we are better able to ease minds and go over our daily procedures.

- Tuesday, September 8 Students last names A-F
- Wednesday, September 9 Students last names G-M
- Thursday, September 10 Students last names N-Z
- Friday, September 11 ALL STUDENTS A-Z ATTEND

Kindergarten Entry

If your child is entering KINDERGARTEN, we invite ONE MASKED FAMILY MEMBER to come into school to drop them off and briefly meet their teacher and see their classroom. Kindergarten students will come on the staggered dates aforementioned. Also, some of our Kindergarten teachers put a welcome video together in June that is available on our website: https://secure1.nbed.nb.ca/sites/district8/schools/mgt

Classroom Bubbles

Classrooms will have as close to 15 students as possible and will be self-contained – meaning they will learn and play within their group. No masks are needed inside the classroom, but students will still be encouraged to maintain distance and practice proper hygiene in these bubbles. All subjects, except for Physical Education, will be held in the classrooms (PE will be held either outside, where possible, or in the gym).

Classroom Placement

As previously mentioned, we do not accept requests for placements in certain classrooms – except for students who are in the <u>same grade and household</u>. Thank you for your understanding on this matter.

Your child's teacher will be receiving their class lists next week, August 31-September 4. Expect a welcome email from them that will include more information on their staggered entry day and beginning the school year.

Masks, Cleaning Stations & Water Bottles

When students are not in their classroom bubbles, they must wear a mask. This includes upon entry into the building, as well as traveling in the halls/downstairs (for PE, recess, upstairs shared washrooms.) Please ensure that students have a mask and can put it on by themselves.

Students should also have a water bottle (not glass), as the fountains will be turned off. There will be bottle filling stations, but it is a good idea for the water to be filled at home in the mornings to prevent any unneeded congregation in the hall.

Classrooms will have hand sanitizer, and if students wish to have their own, we remind you that it does need to be unscented as we are an <u>unscented school</u>. Thank you for your assistance with providing these items for your child.

School Supplies and Student Fees

Our school supply lists are posted on the home page of our website: https://secure1.nbed.nb.ca/sites/district8/schools/mgt Please label all items, as there will not be shared items at this time.

Our student fees remain at \$26 for the year. All funds go directly to support our students. This includes homework bags, other items, and special activities. Please pay via School Cash Online: https://www.schoolcashonline.com/

Hot Lunch

Details to come. Please prepare a packed lunch (with snack) until notified otherwise. Note that we are a <u>nut-free school</u>.

Mark Crowley

Principal