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Dear SGDSB Families,

I hope that this letter finds you well, having enjoyed a restful summer with some relaxed COVID19 restrictions. It has been a challenging time for everyone however we look forward to the return to school for all students and staff on Thursday, September 2, 2021.

The health and safety of students and staff, and their families continues to be the most important priority for our school board, and we are excited that some of the restrictions are beginning to be lifted, thus allowing for what we hope will be a more typical school year.

As the start of the school year is rapidly approaching, please find below some general information regarding the COVID19 protective strategies that will be required by the Ministry of Education. Recall that the purpose of these strategies is to reduce the spread of COVID19. It is the combination of these strategies and the consistent application of them that is most effective in reducing the virus spread in schools.

The following directives have been provided to school boards by the Ministry of Education (Version 2 as of August 13, 2021) and are subject to changes over time. Please also note that there may be some regional enhancements to these strategies with direction from the Thunder Bay District Health Unit. Our aim at this time is to provide families with some general information regarding the upcoming school year. More specific information will be provided by your child(ren)'s school prior to start up.



What Can I Expect for the Start of the 2021-2022 School Year?

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