

March 14, 2020

Subject: Information about COVID-19 (coronavirus) – update no. 4

Dear Parents/Guardians.

Yesterday, the Government of Québec announced that all schools **will be closed** until March 27, 2020 to help reduce the spread of the coronavirus. These preventative measures include **closing elementary and secondary schools**, **daycares**, **as well as adult education and vocational training centres** of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

## As such:

- Schools/centres and daycares will be closed to students for two full weeks.
- For the next two weeks, teachers will not be sending homework or assignments to students.
- If absolutely necessary, you may access your child's school/centre for a quick pick-up of essential belongings on Monday, March 16 in the afternoon or Tuesday, March 17. Your school/centre will be emailing you more details regarding the opening hours.
- The head office will remain open for essential services.
- All meetings and activities scheduled in schools/centres during this period are cancelled.

As mentioned by the Minister of Education, Mr. Jean-François Roberge, the school year should not be compromised with the current preventative measures.

During this evolving situation, communication is key. We will be communicating with you by:

- **SMS**: To receive text messages, you must have opted in to our Communicate mass notification system. (Click here for more information).
- **Email:** Please check your clutter or junk mail folder to make sure you do not miss any important communications.
- SWLSB website (www.swlauriersb.qc.ca): a section on COVID-19 was created.
- SWLSB Facebook page (www.facebook.com/swlsb).

As we continue our collective efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19, we thank you for your usual patience and cooperation.

We will continue to monitor the situation and keep you informed.

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