



Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board
Believing, Achieving, Serving

March 13, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On March 12, 2020, the Minister of Education Steven Lecce issued a Ministerial Order to close all publicly funded schools from March 14 to April 5, 2020 in an effort to keep people safe and to contain the spread of COVID-19.

Effective March 14, 2020, the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School will be closing all elementary and secondary schools for a three-week period, as directed.

Programs/services impacted by the closure include:

Elementary & Secondary Schools

Closed until April 6, 2020

All after-hours programming and student activities (athletics, clubs, CYO, etc.) are cancelled

St. Charles Adult & Continuing Education

Closed until April 6, 2020

Childcare/EarlyON

Childcare centres/EarlyON closed

Administrative Offices

(Father Kennedy Catholic Education Centre, St. Mary CERC, Nicholas Mancini Centre, Thomas Mahoney Building)

Closed until April 6, 2020

Community Use of Schools

All permits cancelled until April 6, 2020

Third party leases/Community partnerships

Unless otherwise notified, all third party leases cancelled until April 6, 2020

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In our commitment to support continued student learning, the HWCDSB has prepared a number of optional resources and activities that will be made available to students and their families on the myClass Learning Management System.

The Ministry of Education is also developing some digital learning resources to ensure the continuity of learning during the extended closure. Information will be shared via board and school websites and SchoolMessenger as it becomes available.

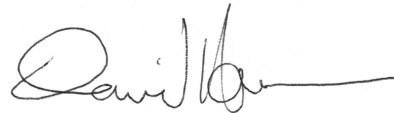
As new developments arise, every effort will be made to communicate with you.

For board updates on COVID-19, please visit <https://www.hwcdsb.ca/coronavirusupdate/>.

Thank you for your understanding. We pray for the health and safety of our students, staff and world.



Patrick J. Daly
Chairperson of the Board



David Hansen
Director of Education