



April 15, 2021

ATTN: Parents/caregivers of children attending Wasauksing Kinomaugewgamik

Mno Giizhigad, Kina Wiya.

As you are aware, our area continues to be in lockdown, and provincial schools will revert to at-home instruction next week, when the school break ends.

We are very conscious of the ongoing concerns regarding the rising numbers of COVID-19 cases, and the variants that are now present. We are also aware that the WFN community remains without any cases, and that our students do benefit greatly from the opportunity to attend school on a regular basis.

We have worked throughout the year to establish and consistently adhere to our safety protocols. Our cohort model (Group A and Group B cycle) allows us to keep our class sizes small, and to maintain physical distancing much more readily than may be possible in other school settings. With the increasing good weather, we also will be taking full advantage of the many opportunities for outdoor learning.

We are also extremely fortunate that so many of our community members as well as our staff have already been fully vaccinated. Therefore, after careful consideration in consultation with our Health Department, we have decided **to continue to offer in-class instruction**, and will extend our cohort schedule for the foreseeable future. Of course, we will continue to monitor the local case numbers closely, and if it is deemed advisable, we will re-evaluate this decision.

When we return to school next week, our staff will re-emphasize all of our safety protocols with our students, and will continue to remain vigilant in enforcing all of our safety measures.

We look forward to welcoming back our students in Cohort A on Monday, April 19 and our students in Cohort B on Wednesday, April 21.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email [school@wasauksing.ca](mailto:school@wasauksing.ca) or call 705-746-2531.

Enjoy the remainder of the Spring Break!

*Catherine Pauris*

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