

April 9, 2021

Dear Members,

Please see attached letter from the Deputy Minister of Education sent to all School Boards regarding the vaccination of education workers. At this time, education workers who provide direct in person support to students with complex special education needs will be prioritized for vaccinations. Please review attached letter for information on eligibility. Participation is voluntary and will be coordinated by the individual employee themselves. We understand that not all education workers are being included in this first roll out and have expressed concerns about the omissions. This is a decision made by the Ministry of Education; therefore, we do not have a say or a way of having other classifications included. Hopefully, all other education workers will be prioritized shortly.

YCDSB met with York Public Health Unit (YPHU) and was provided with specific criteria to identify staff that meet the eligibility. Principals were provided with a letter to distribute to staff that meet the criteria. If you feel that you meet the criteria, and have not been provided with a letter, please contact Michael Gray at YCDSB. michael.gray@ycdsb.ca

Please note, that YPHU is **not** using the provincial booking system. Booking information for vaccines through YPHU should be updated on their website. You may also reach out to YPHU (1-877-464-9675) for information on eligibility for COVID 19 vaccines.

Wishing everyone a restful April Break. Stay safe.

Mary Di Federico,

President CUPE 2331