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Dear Members,

The September Re entry plan for YCDSB was presented to the Trustees on Wednesday evening. There is much more information that is still required, and the Board is waiting for guidance from the Ministry.

As we are only a few weeks away from the start of the school year, the lack of details and information is very concerning. Every day the Ministry adds different information but fails to provide specific direction to School Boards.

As per the Ministry announcements, all school staff will be provided with masks, and face shields and additional PPE depending on specific roles and in consideration of medical documentation.

YCDSB Re entry Plan has not yet been finalized. Although we have offered input, we continue to wait for details on specific protocols that will be in place to mitigate the risk of exposure to COVID 19. Some of the protocols that still need to be finalized include:

School office procedures; scheduling of EAs & EIs & SSW in cohorts; physical distancing for FDK classes; duties of Library techs while school libraries are closed; supervision of the isolation room; staff self assessment; COVID tracing protocols; protocols for supply staff going from school to school; protocols for AESL worksites; procedures for ILI staff; protocols for CEC staff; assignments of LTS/OSW in cohorts;

ZOOM INFORMATION SESSION - As soon as we have further details, we will be organizing virtual information sessions with each classification via ZOOM. It is our intention to have these information sessions during the week of August 24th. If you wish to have a specific question addressed, please send the question as a reply to this email. Please ensure that you identify your job classification. Dates and meeting links for the information sessions will be provided later next week.

School Year Start Up - The Board calendar has recently been approved and consists of three PA days on September 1, 2 & 3. Permanent staff is expected to report to their worksite for these PA days. Clerical staff will follow their usual start up. Lunch Time Supervisors, Office Support Staff and Supply staff will also be required to be available and participate in the training on September 1st. The Board will be providing further details.

We will continue to engage with the Board to provide input and specifics as to what each of our classification requires to be safe at work. We appreciate that the level of uncertainty continues to add to the anxiety that we may all be feeling. Please feel free to reach out if you require further assistance.

A huge thank you to all our executive team members who continue to be available to assist Maryanne and I with the work of the local and the needs of our membership. Awesome Team!

Wishing all a wonderful weekend.

In Solidarity,
Mary Di Federico, President CUPE 2331

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