Public board offers answers after Kawartha Lakes schools ordered closed

This Week

In response to a provincial order to <u>close all publicly funded schools</u> until April 5, the <u>Trillium Lakelands District School Board</u> has prepared a Q and A to help parents, students and members of the community answer any questions they might have.

Will anyone be in TLDSB schools?

TLDSB schools are closed to staff, students and the public. Only persons with authorization from senior administration will be permitted to enter our worksites.

Are VLC students expected to work as normal from home?

VLC classes are cancelled.

Can I go to my/my child's school?

No. TLDSB buildings are closed to staff, students and the community.

Will Community Use of Schools permits/programs be cancelled?

Yes. All permits for all organizations and programs will be cancelled until April 5.

Will the schools be cleaned/disinfected before kids are back?

Yes. We will implement a deep cleaning protocol for all TLDSB buildings based on recommendations from our public health partners.

Will childcare centres be open?

No. Childcare centres and before and after school programs will not run in our buildings during the shutdown.

Where should I look for current information about the shutdown?

The TLDSB website will be updated regularly as will TLDSB social media platforms. School families will continue to receive School Messenger notifications when appropriate.

Will co-op programs and programs at the colleges run (OYAP, dual credits, SWAC)?

No. All school programs are closed.

Will the education centres be open?

No. Our education centres will not be open to the public or to the general staff.

How will parents be reimbursed for child care?

TLDSB does not oversee daycares and we have not received any information to be able to share from the Ontario government.

Can I get school work for my child?

We have limited information at this time from the Ministry of Education and when we learn more about this, it will be communicated to parents. At this time, schools are not providing work for students during this time.

Will graduation credits be affected by this school closure?

No, we will work with the Ministry of Education and our schools to ensure students graduate as expected.

What about the Grade 10 OSSLT?

The Grade 10 OSSLT is cancelled, both due to OSSTF job action and the fact that schools will be closed on the March 31st test date.

If you have a specific question, please visit <u>tldsb.ca/covid19</u> for updates related to school district COVID-19 or contact TLDSB directly by email at <u>info@tldsb.on.ca.</u>