REVISIONS MADE TO REOPENING SCHOOLS

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Revisions have been made to the Halton District School Board's Reopening Schools Plan after an announcement by Ontario's Minister of Education called for some changes. The HDSB's Reopening Schools Plan was "revised" in light of the government announcement on Aug. 13.

Elementary school students now have an opportunity to change their delivery model (from in-person to distance learning or vice versa) on November 30 and in mid-February, which is the end of the first term. Elementary students selecting the "full distance" option will be part of an Elementary Virtual School. Students from a variety of schools will form the classes and will be supported accordingly (e.g., educator, special education resource staff, office staff, administrator, etc.), the HDSB said in an email to parents Aug. 20.

The Distance Learning model will include the daily minimum synchronous learning time requirements as set by the Ministry of Education in the newly released Remote Learning Policy Program and Memorandum 164.



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A number of changes have been made to the Halton District School Board's back-to-back plans.

Outdoor learning, designated "isolation rooms" and disabling the use of water-drinking fountains are some of the plans and procedures the Halton District School Board is putting in to place in its reopening plan.

For HDSB secondary school students:

- The Adaptive model for secondary will change to a "Quadmester" where students will take two courses for 10 weeks
- Opportunities to change delivery model (from in-person to distance learning or vice versa) will be November 12 or February 5

Secondary students selecting the "full distance" option will also be part of a Secondary Virtual School. Students from a variety of schools will form the classes and will be supported accordingly (e.g., teacher, special education resource staff, office staff, administrator, etc.), the HDSB update states





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