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## PUBLIC BOARD DELAYS REOPENING SCHOOLS

## FIRST DAY WILL NOW BE SEPT. 14

The Halton District School Board has delayed the reopening of schools to Monday, Sept. 14 for both elementary and secondary students and will now require students in Grades 1-12 to wear masks. Here's what else you need to know about the board's revised plan to reopen its schools:

- 1. The reopening delay will affect both in-person and virtual school students.
- 2. The board will hold elementary school visits Thursday, Sept. 10 and Friday, Sept. 11 to allow students the chance to become familiar with new health and safety protocols. More details will be provided next week to families.



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HDSB reaches tentative deal with its secondary school teachers and occasional secondary school teachers.

- 3. An orientation for both in-person and virtual learning secondary students will also be held with a date to be announced once timetables and cohorts have been scheduled.
- 4. Students with special needs may have the opportunity to participate in transition activities prior to the start of school. Further information will be provided to families by their

child's school.

- 5. Non-medical, cloth masks or face coverings will not be required for kindergarten students; however, they will be encouraged.
- 6. Students are required to bring their own masks each day; however, masks will be available for students who forget or for families who need assistance getting cloth masks.
- 7. There is an exemption process in place for students for whom wearing a mask is not advisable.
- 8. Physical distancing is not possible on school buses and masks will also be required on school buses for students in Grade 1-12.
- 9. Bus routes could be delayed due to driver shortages and new cleaning protocols.
- 10. Students riding the bus will have assigned seating according to their class cohorts. There will be no courtesy seating for the duration of the 2020/2021 school year.
- 11. For more updates and details, visit hdsb.ca.



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