Sally Bidel – Planning for Return to School – 9 July 2020

For children in the primary grades, who are not technology independent for online learning, how will you get through the curriculum, noting that it is the province's responsibility to provide their education and not the parent's? Furthermore, page 9 of the agenda reads:

"District planning will be done with flexibility and agility and in a way that will allow as many students to access face to face learning as frequently as possible within safety guidelines;"

How is this supported by the proposed 2-1-2 split, with 20% of instruction time being set aside for cleaning with zero students in school? It would seem to me that Wednesdays could be used for instruction and that cleaning can take place outside of instructional hours.

For Dr. Etches, in a city of one million, you cannot realistically expect numbers to be less than they currently are, without a vaccine. Children have a right to an education and as many of your medical peers have stated, they should return to school full time.