

TO: Chair and Members
of the Board

DATE: 25 August 2020

RE: Delay of Student Return to School Date

Trustee Donna Blackburn has given notice that she will move as follows at the Special Board meeting of 25 August 2020, in keeping with section 13.1 of the Board's By-Laws and Standing Rules:

WHEREAS the Board, at its meeting of 9 July 2020, approved the 2020-2021 school year calendar for the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board's elementary and secondary schools with 3 September 2020 as the return to school date for students;

WHEREAS teachers and administrators will require more time to prepare for teaching and learning through the COVID-19 pandemic in both the in-person and new online formats;

WHEREAS a delay of the start of the 2020-2021 school year allows schools and parents to prepare for learning while putting student and staff safety first; and

WHEREAS the province has allowed school boards to stagger the start of the school year by up to two weeks;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the Board delay the student return to school date until 14 September 2020 for the 2020-2021 school year.

Camille Williams-Taylor
Director of Education and
Secretary of the Board

Michèle Giroux
Executive Officer
Corporate Services

Signatures on this Notice of Motion confirm that the Notice was submitted in accordance with Section 12.9 of the Board's By-laws and Standing Rules.