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Parent Involvement Committee

Meeting Type: *

Creating a Culture... of Innovation, Caring and Social Responsibility.







REGISTER TO BECOME A DELEGATE

Fostering a Culture of Caring

(Reference: Ottawa-Carleton District School Board By-Laws and Standing Rules)

Individuals or groups are welcome to appear as a delegation to express their concerns, provide comments or ask questions on any matter within the mandate of the Board or Committee. In accordance with the Board's bylaws, delegations shall be permitted up to four (4) minutes to address the Board where the delegation has provided a written submission no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the meeting. Delegations registering after the cutoff shall be granted two (2) minutes. All interested delegates must complete and submit the following form.

Once you have submitted your request, a member of the Board Services team will be in touch with you to confirm the delegation and provide the necessary meeting details and instructions.

If you have any questions regarding the delegation process please contact Nicole Guthrie, Manager of Board Services at nicole.guthrie@ocdsb.ca

Also, please note that the Board and Committee of the Whole meetings are video and audio recorded.

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Delegation issue information	

Meeting Date: *

3/31/2021

Summary of issue/concern: *

The plans for September 2021 school year as put forward by the OCDSB thus far, including in the email to parents of 27 February, fail to provide any assurance that the Board is committed to excellence in education. We find this unacceptable, particularly as there have been clear indications from students, parents and teachers over the past seven months that the current model is failing. We receive continuous reports of poor mental health in adolescents, formalising our tragic

observations within our own families. Health officials cite a 60 percent rise in the number of youth reporting eating disorders, and a 30 percent increase in the need for youth counselling and addiction services. Meanwhile, a series of announcements by other Boards including the TDSB and the Ottawa Catholic School Board, as well as Provinces, make it clear that they are planning for an entirely different experience for their students, some even starting now – for example, in Quebec all students will return to the classroom full time in April and in Vancouver, any student wanting to attend full-time will be allowed to starting April 26.

Recommendation(s) for resolution of issue: *

For school year 2021-22, we'd like a guarantee from the OCDSB that they will offer all secondary age children an education that will engage them and provide the foundation for future learning that has been denied to them this year. Students who choose in-class learning should be guaranteed a full-time, structured learning experience which includes educational instruction from teachers between the hours of 9am and 3pm Monday to Friday, whether in person or online.

Date: *

3/26/2021

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