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## **Subject: Covid-19 - Update**

Dear Parents,

By monitoring the closure of schools until May 1<sup>st</sup> inclusiv, the Ministry of Education and Higher Education (MEES) sent us additional details.

### **Ministerial review**

There will be no review of the Department for the 2019-2020 school year, regardless of the duration of the closure of schools. Be reassured that the school year will not have to be resumed. If the closure continues beyond May 1, the professional judgment of teachers, based on the assessments made before the stoppage of classes, allowing them to prepare the final ballots.

### **Retrieving deemed essential belongings**

Public Health Regional Directorate finally agreed that some personal belongings can be recovered in schools. For health reasons, this option will be available only for the following essential items: orthotics and prosthetics, vision glasses and glucometers. Priority will also be given to vulnerable students.

In addition, it will be possible to come retrieve some tools of technological assistance for students in particular need. This equipment must be specifically mentioned in the intervention plan and it must have been dedicated exclusively to the student by the school board (laptop, iPad, Lexibook).

So if you want to grab one of the above mentioned items, please email to the following address to arrange an appointment: [barclay@csgm.qc.ca](mailto:barclay@csgm.qc.ca)

### **School continuity**

Several activities will be made available by the MEES in the coming weeks. It is expected that these materials can be found online and on Télé-Québec. In addition, measures for students in particular need will be implemented. I will communicate more details in the coming days since the deployment of this requires some coordination with the school team.

Meanwhile, this [page](#) developed by the CSGM offers educational resources. Note that these activities are optional, not dumped and that they are not intended to replace the work of teachers.



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### **Support for pupils and their families**

Due to the pandemic and the rapid closure of schools, professional services in schools for students and their families are interrupted temporarily. To minimize the effect of this situation, the CSDM is currently working with professionals, professional bodies, trade unions and partners to consider ways to provide support to vulnerable students and their families. For now, it is important to inform you about the resources available to students and families currently in difficulty or in distress: [csdm.ca/parents-eleves/coronavirus-covid-19/](https://csdm.ca/parents-eleves/coronavirus-covid-19/).

I thank you for your cooperation and understanding in this difficult period and filled with uncertainty. We put [Covid-section 19](#) our regularly updated website.

Take care of yourself and your family!

**Danielle Charland**  
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