Principal Email January 28, 2022

Good afternoon Knoxdale families,

- Knoxdale will be hosting a vaccination clinic on February 9, 2022. More information HERE.
- Kindergarten 2022-2023 information session is happening February 1, 2022. More information below.
- We will be having a spirit week February 14-17. See attached flyer below.
- Please continue to complete the daily covid self-assessment with your child daily.
- Thank you for wearing a mask at all times when on school property
- Report cards go home on February 16
- KCSC meeting February 3, 7pm.
- More information below on: Vaccination clinics, Voluntary Covid-19 Disclosure, Virtual Parent info nights, Rapid Antigen Tests, School Transfer Application Period, and Middle French Immersion Application period.

On behalf of the Knoxdale team, have a wonderful weekend.

Julie Chouinard, Principal	
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#### **Vaccination Clinics**

Drop-in to one of our after-school vaccination clinics to talk to a public health nurse or get a COVID-19 vaccine for anyone ages 5 and up! The priority for the after-school clinics are children aged 5 to 11 years, their families and household members in the surrounding community. Those living in the surrounding area who still need a 1st, 2nd or booster dose (if eligible) of COVID-19 vaccine are also welcome. Parent or guardian consent is required for children ages 5 to 11.

### **Voluntary COVID-19 Disclosure**

The OCDSB has created a Voluntary COVID-19 Disclosure Form and Dashboard to help inform families of COVID-19 cases in schools. Students and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19 can fill out a voluntary disclosure form, which will be matched to our internal records and then posted anonymously on the dashboard. To learn more about how this tool works, submit a case, or read frequently asked questions, please visit our website. Use this link to submit a form and this link to view the dashboard.

**Virtual Parent Information Nights:** Elementary and secondary schools are offering Virtual Parent Information Nights for families ready to register their child for Kindergarten or high school. Visit our website to learn more, and to attend or view a recording of our <u>Kindergarten Virtual Parent Information Nights</u> and <u>Secondary Virtual Parent Information Nights</u>.

# **Rapid Antigen Tests**

Most elementary students should have received two rapid antigen tests (RATs) from their school. In addition, this week we began distribution of test kits to secondary students. These tests are intended to be used when a student becomes symptomatic, or is required to self-isolate as a household contact of someone who is symptomatic. If a student receives two negative RAT results taken at least 24 hours apart, they may end isolation early and return to school, if they are feeling well enough to do so. More information on the tests can be <u>found on our website</u>, and frequently asked questions are answered on <u>Ottawa Public Health's website</u>.

# Elementary and Secondary Transfer Application Period: January 31st - February 11th

The student transfer application period (elementary and secondary) runs from January 31st until February 11th. If you wish to have your child attend a school other than their designated school, you must complete a student transfer application. Learn more on our website

## Registration for the Middle French Immersion Program: February 7th - 11th

Interested in the OCDSB's Middle French Immersion Program? If your child has completed the grade 3 English/Core French Program, they can choose to enter Middle French Immersion. Registration runs from February 7th to February 11th, 2022. <u>Learn more on our website</u>.