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Dear Parents/Guardians and Staff:

RE: Wilkinson Junior Public School (53 Donlands Ave, Toronto, ON M4J 3N7)

School dismissal due to COVID-19 investigation

This letter is to inform you that Toronto Public Health has advised the Toronto District School Board that all cohorts of **Wilkinson Junior Public School** should be temporarily dismissed as a result of a COVID-19 outbreak investigation and additional COVID-19 cases reported to Toronto Public Health today.

Dismissing the school is a precautionary measure to prevent further COVID-19 transmission within the school. Toronto Public Health will continue with the COVID-19 investigation, and work with the school to determine when in-person attendance will resume. A whole school dismissal may last for 10 days, but the length can vary based on the investigation. You will be informed as soon as the reopening date is confirmed.

Some students and staff have already been identified as close contacts in the affected cohorts, and have been informed. All other <u>students</u> and <u>staff</u> should continue daily COVID-19 symptom screening using the TPH COVID-19 symptom screening tool. If you or your child develop <u>symptoms</u>, the person with symptoms should <u>self-isolate</u> and get tested for COVID-19 using a PCR take-home/self-collection test kit or visit a <u>COVID-19 Assessment Centre</u>. **Give this number** 3895-2021-51548 to the Assessment Centre.

Additional COVID-19 testing will be organized for your school community. Please consider taking this opportunity to get tested for COVID-19. More information will follow.

As COVID-19 continues to circulate in the community everyone is reminded to adopt these steps for self-protection:

- as often as possible, keep at least two metres apart from people you don't live with;
- as often as possible, wear a mask when outside your home, especially in indoor settings and when physical distancing is difficult;
- wash your hands frequently;
- remain at home and self-isolate when ill; and
- get vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine

Accessing Additional Information

- General information about COVID-19, toronto.ca/COVID19
- Information related to COVID-19 and schools toronto.ca/COVID19SchoolInfo.
- Information related to Child Care toronto.ca/COVID19ChildCareInfo

If you have general questions about COVID-19, please call our Hotline at 416-338-7600, Monday-Sunday 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM. Interpretation services are available. If you need immediate health

care assistance, please call Telehealth Ontario 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 1-866-797-0000. Sincerely,

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