

Milton Community Resource Centre

410 Bronte Street South, Milton

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March 15, 2020

Dear Bronte Street School Families,

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, MCRC has closely followed all recommendations and directives made by the Minister of Health, our local Medical Officer of Health, the Ministry of Education and Halton Region Children's Services. We strongly believe that many of you still require our child care services in order to work, and with that in mind, we have made the decision to keep Bronte Street School open at this time. Our decisions are subject to change as new information on COVID-19 becomes available and/or new directions are given by Health authorities.

We know this a challenging time, and some of you may have made other arrangements for your children or are in family isolation. If you choose not to attend Bronte Street School for the period of March 16th to April 5th, your child care fees will be refunded, and your space in the program will be held.

For those who do attend, we want to reassure you that we have heightened our protocols to ensure the ongoing health and safety of our staff, children and families including:

- Enhanced cleaning and sanitation practices of all toys, materials, and surfaces.
- Strict adherence to all public health recommendations regarding handwashing and the exclusion
 of staff or children who have travelled out of the country and/or are showing any symptoms of
 ill health
- Limiting visitors to the centre to only those who are essential. Closing non-essential programs, and introducing a screening process for anyone who does enter the centre.

As of Monday, March 16th, all staff, children and visitors entering MCRC will be required to complete a screening process before proceeding to the classrooms. You will be asked to complete a checklist indicating if you have recently travelled, been in contact with anyone infected with COVID-19 and if you have any symptoms. Anyone answering yes to any of these questions will not be permitted to enter.

We will continue to make the best decisions we can with the information available and are committed to provide ongoing and updated information. You can follow MCRC's response to COVID-19 on our website at mcrc.on.ca/covid19.

Sincerely,

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