

Date: September 6, 2024

Dear Families and Staff,

As the new school year begins, Peel Public Health continues to support schools to provide safe learning environments for students and staff.

The following reminders will help prepare the school community for a healthy return:

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a fever, and your symptoms have improved for at least 24 hours (48 hours for nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea). You should wear a mask in public for 10 days after your symptoms started.
- x **Practice good hygiene.** Remind children to cover coughs and sneezes with their elbows and wash hands often or use hand sanitizer.
- x **Get up to date with all immunizations:**
 - o **There is an increase in pertussis (whooping cough) cases in Peel and Ontario .** Parents and guardians should ensure that children are up to date with pertussis immunization and all other immunizations required for school.
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