



Assikinack Public School The Blackbird Bulletin February 24, 2021

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2021-22 Kindergarten Registration

Is your child turning FOUR in 2021? If so, it is time to register for Kindergarten!

Simcoe County's public schools are now registering children for Kindergarten for the 2021-22 school year. Visit our [registration page](#) for information on how to register using the online registration application. Upon completion of the online form, the school will contact you to finalize the registration.

To find your local public school, use the [Home School Locator tool](#). If you are not sure which school serves your area, please call our Planning and Enrolment Department at 705-734-6363, ext. 11218, or 905-729-3600, ext. 11218. For more information about your home school, including contact information, use our [School Search](#).

We look forward to learning and growing with you and your child! In the meantime, please explore the activities, resources and videos on our website that will give you and your child an idea of what to expect when your journey with the SCDSB begins! Visit our website at www.scdsb.on.ca.

Changes to the Provincial COVID-19 School Screening Tool

In an effort to strengthen health and safety measures and help reduce the spread of COVID-19, the criteria in the provincial COVID-19 school screening tool has been updated by the Chief Medical Officer of Health. The updated provincial direction states that students and staff with any new or worsening symptoms of COVID-19 (as indicated in the screening tool), even those with only one symptom, must stay home until:

- They receive a negative COVID-19 test result;
- They receive an alternative diagnosis by a health care professional; or,
- It has been 10 days since their symptom onset and they are feeling better.

In addition, all asymptomatic household contacts of symptomatic individuals are required to quarantine until the symptomatic household member receives a negative COVID-19 test result or receives an alternative diagnosis by a health care professional.

School Council Meeting

February 1st's School Council meeting was postponed to Monday, March 1, 2021.

Let us know if you'd like to join us virtually and we will email you the link prior to the start of the meeting.

We hope to see you there!

SAVE THE DATE!!

Grade 8 Graduation Photographs are being taken on Wednesday, March 17, 2021!!



Please Stay Off the Snow Hills

The snow hills are surrounding the yard and naturally students would like to play on them. These snow hills are made by the plows and may contain dangerous items and hard chunks of ice. Please help us by encouraging your child to follow school rules and stay off the snow hills.

Thank you for helping us keep all of our children safe.



Inviting all students of elementary school age in the City of Barrie to enter and tell us why you love Barrie!

DIVISIONS

Primary Students

(Kindergarten – Grade 3)
Submit artwork or a photo.

Junior Students

(Grade 4 – 6)
Submit artwork or a photo.

Intermediate Students

(Grade 7 – 8)
Submit a short story up to 300 words.

PRIZES

One winner will be chosen from each level: Primary, Junior and Intermediate.

The three (3) winners will each receive:

- ♥ I Love Barrie prize pack.
- ♥ Their names published online and in The Barrie Advance.
- ♥ The opportunity to present their winning entry at a Barrie City Council meeting (virtually).
- ♥ A chance to join the KOOL FM and Rock 95 Morning Shows.

**107.5
KOOL FM**

ROCK 95

Share what you love about your city!

Fill out the form
and submit your work
at barrie.ca/MyBarrie
Deadline: March 5, 2021.



A Few Reminders

In order to ensure the safety of students and staff, please find below some new (and old) protocols. Please follow these guidelines and help us make every effort to keep our Blackbirds safe:

1) All students must complete a school self-assessment before coming to school. If a child shows symptoms of COVID-19 while at school, parents are will be contacted for immediate pick-up. The child will be separated from other students until they can be picked up. The student will need to be symptom free for 24 hours, have clearance from a doctor or have a negative COVID test before returning to school. The student can participate in learning activities asynchronously while they are at home.

2) Facemasks: All Students from Kindergarten to Grade 8 must wear a facemask on school property. Students will now be wearing facemasks during both inside and outside activities. Please send your child with a **minimum** of two masks each day.

Parents/Visitors must wear a facemask anytime they are on school property, including our before and after school families.

2) Water Bottles: Please send a filled water bottle to school each day with your child. Our fountains are closed. We only have one water refill station in the school.

3) Arrival and Dismissal: Students will continue to enter straight into the building through their assigned doors and go immediately to their classroom. Students and parents are asked to leave school property immediately after dismissal and not socialize or play after school. Staff members cannot have conversations with parents at arrival or dismissal. If you have concerns or wish to share information, please communicate through your child's agenda, email, telephone or other electronic means.

4) All student belongings should be clearly marked with a name. Currently, we do not have a lost and found. Please limit the items that your child brings to school to the bare necessities.

Thank you for working with us and our community partners such as Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit to keep our students, staff and families safe. If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or the school office.

FlipGive Fundraiser

This season, fundraising for Assikinack Public School is going to be so much easier with FlipGive, a free team funding app. We earn cash back on every purchase we make all year long! All you have to do is shop anytime with the brands you already love, like Home Depot, Walmart, Amazon, Sport Chek, Indigo, Old Navy, Apple, Esso, and Loblaws. No more going door-to-door selling chocolate bars - it's completely virtual and contactless. Join our team now and you'll get a \$5 bonus the first time you shop: https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?fundraiser_name=Julianne&joincode=G49BS4

Or enter this code: **G49BS4** Any questions, just ask!



Want to learn more? Check out this two minute video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5vTO_Qg4n80

February 2021

SCHOOL BUS WEATHER ZONE: CENTRAL — www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
21	22	23	24		26	27
						
			It's PINK SHIRT DAY!			
28	MARCH 1	2	3	4	5	6
	<i>School Council Meeting 6:00 pm - Email for Link to Zoom Meeting</i>					
7	8	9	10	11	12	13

Register for Junior Kindergarten!

14	15	16	17		20
					
			Grade 8 Graduation Pictures		

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School Schedule

- Learning Block - 8:55 am until 10:35 am
- Nutrition Break - 10:35 am until 10:55 am
- Chill Time - 10:55 am until 11:15 am
- Learning Block - 11:15 am until 12:55 pm
- Nutrition Break - 12:55 pm until 1:15 pm
- Chill Time - 1:15 pm until 1:35 pm
- Learning Block - 1:35 pm until 3:15 pm