



FACE PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Admission
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Admission
10\$ adulte
5\$ senior/étudiant

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Concert du département des cordes
à l'auditorium de l'école FACE
MERCREDI 6 MAI 2026

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ELEMENTARY: 4835 AV. CHRISTOPHE
HIGH SCHOOL: 3449 RUE UNIVER
à l'auditorium de l'école FACE



IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

April 14: Deadline for Agenda Contest

April 24: Pedagogical Day

April 27 to May 11: Grade 6 French Ministry Exam

April 30: Grand Elementary Parade (Stay tuned!)

INFORMATION FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

LAST DAY OF CLASSES

Please note that due to the school closure, the last day of Elementary classes is now June 23, 2026.

The last day of classes in High School is June 11, 2026.

HIGH SCHOOL EXAM SESSION

We would like to inform you that the high school exam session will begin as of June 12. A schedule will be shared once it has been finalized.

STUDENT ABSENCE DECLARATION:

If your child is absent, you must notify your child's secretary as soon as possible. Please note that we do not use the Mozaik Attendance Functions.

We review all absences during the first period of the morning.

- For Elementary students, please contact Mme Amrani (ext.8009) or by email at face.primaire@cssdm.gouv.qc.ca
- For High School students, please contact (Mme Durez) (ext.8735) or by email at face.reception@cssdm.gouv.qc.ca.

DAYCARE SERVICES FOR ELEMENTARY:

For any questions or inquiries for daycare, please contact our daycare technician, Mme Naima Mahiou at 514-350-8899 ext.8897 or by email at face.sdg@cssdm.gouv.qc.ca .

All daycare fees must be settled directly with our daycare provider.

NEXT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Please note that our next governing board meeting is Monday, May 25, 2026 at 6:15 p.m. This meeting is held virtually.

Should you wish to attend or have any questions, please send an email to face@emsb.qc.ca to the attention of Mr. Vincent Tam, our governing board chair.

SENIOR ORCHESTRE AND FACE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CONCERTS- MAY 6, 2026

Tickets are now available for sale for the upcoming final string concert on May 6.

Link: <https://www.tixtree.com/o/FACE>

ANTI-VIOLENCE AND ANTI-BULLYING PLAN

The Anti-Bullying Anti-Violence Action Plan outlines the measures for preventing and responding to acts of bullying and violence in our school in accordance with the EMSB Safe Physical and Cyber Environment Policy and the Quebec Education Act (QEA).

Our School is committed to providing our students with a safe and caring learning environment we encourage all members of our school community to act with respect and kindness towards others. Our school expects students, parents/guardians and others who witness or learn about an act of violence or bullying involving a student to report it promptly.

Please find the link to view our plan on our website which was adopted at our last Governing Board meeting: <https://face.emsb.qc.ca/face/about/safe-school>

For further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to the administration.

11E FINAL PRODUCTION

our 11E students will be presenting their final production this week inspired by "The Spring Awakening". Students will be performing on Thursday and Friday. Should you wish to have more information, please do not hesitate to contact us at face@emsb.qc.ca.

ELEMENTARY LOST AND FOUND

We encourage you to visit our lost and found located near the daycare area as many unclaimed items have accumulated. Please check to see if any belongings belong to your child. Items not claimed by the end of the year will be donated to a local organization.

SUGAR SHACK AT FACE

As per our new Spring tradition, we hosted a sugar shack activity for our High School students last week. Please note that the We are excited to inform you that the sugar shack will be at FACE Elementary on April 17. All students and staff will receive a sweet maple treat. Students and staff are invited to wear something checkered this day!

COURSE SELECTIONS FOR SECONDARY 4 AND 5 2026-2027

It is that time of year, where high school students make their choices for courses for the following school year. At FACE, since students take all the Arts courses, the remaining choice is made in the scientific pathway at the secondary 4 and 5 levels.

Our guidance department will be presenting to our students this Thursday, April 9. This year, we are pleased to announce that this process will be finalized online. Parents will receive further information by email by April 13, 2026.

PARENT RESOURCES

- **Allô prof - free student resources and virtual homework assistance**
<https://www.alloprof.qc.ca/en/students>
- **LEARN Québec - free online tutoring**
<https://students.learnquebec.ca/learn-tutoring/>
- **Please find on the next two pages information on Transition to High School**

MESSAGE FROM THE PPO - CALL FOR PARENT VOLUNTEERS FOR THE INFIRMARY

We are looking for parent volunteers to support our school infirmary at both the FACE elementary and high schools. We welcome anyone with experience in healthcare or emergency response, including but not limited to: nurses, first responders, lifeguards and allied health professionals. Commitment: 3 hours per week minimum during the school year.

Start date: ASAP or next fall.

A background check is required. One-on-one administrative training provided.

Join a supportive, community-minded group and help care for our students in a meaningful way. Email yolaine.yim@gmail.com for more info.

HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC SUPPORT

We invite parents to contact us if they have any questions about our academic support services for our students. Term 3 is a critical and important academic period, and we are here to support our students!

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TRAIL

Helping your child make a happy transition to high school

Parenthood has its share of challenges! So, when your child reaches the crossroads between childhood and adolescence and prepares to make the leap to high school, it's quite an adjustment, both for them and for you as a parent!

Here are a few tips to help you guide your child through this transitional period

Preparation



Starting in grade 5 or 6

- Gather all the relevant information about the high school (or schools, if there are multiple possibilities);
- Visit the school or school grounds with your child (e.g., at an open house event);
- Encourage them to talk to another young person who already attends this high school; Make the trip to school with your child (bus, bike, walk, etc.).

During the summer, before starting the new school year

- Encourage your child to practice opening their lock;
- Help them organize their equipment;
- Take time to discuss the various upcoming changes with them.

The week before school starts

- Help your child prepare their backpack and materials for the first day;
- Establish a routine that works for them;
- Look over the rules of their future school together.

After school begins

- Help your child to use their agenda and organize their materials;
- Encourage them to sign up for an extracurricular activity;
- To find out more: https://sante-mentale-jeunesse.usherbrooke.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/HPp1_EN_parent_suppl_high_school.pdf

Communication



- Allow your child to express their point of view;
- Be a good listener, speak calmly and respectfully;
- Take an interest in their passions, activities, friends, etc;
- Seize every opportunity to discuss as a family;
- Make sure you maintain good communication with their other parent;
- To find out more: https://sante-mentale-jeunesse.usherbrooke.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/HPp1_EN_parent_suppl_communication.pdf

Reducing stress and anxiety

- Help your child master what makes them stressed or anxious;
- Be a role model and set an example;
- Provide a safe, caring environment;
- Encourage their autonomy and independence;
- Reduce sources of pressure;
- Help them adopt good lifestyle habits;
- Be a good listener;
- Help them use strategies to manage stress;
- To find out more: https://sante-mentale-jeunesse.usherbrooke.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/HPp1_EN_talking_about_anxiety_parents.pdf



Helpful attitudes

- Distinguish between typical adolescent behaviour and your fears;
- Try to maintain a good relationship, even if you disapprove of the way they behave;
- Support their autonomy;
- Allow them to make mistakes;
- Recognize their efforts and perseverance;
- Offer them consistent support tailored to their needs;
- To find out more: https://sante-mentale-jeunesse.usherbrooke.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/HPp1_EN_parent_suppl_attitudes.pdf

Academic success

- Create an environment that makes learning easy;
- Establish a study and homework routine;
- Maintain a positive view of school;
- Encourage them to develop positive attitudes toward learning (interest in school, willingness to improve, effort, etc.);
- To find out more: https://sante-mentale-jeunesse.usherbrooke.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/HPp1_EN_parent_suppl_academic_success.pdf

Keep watch and Get help

- Watch for the following distress signals: recurring sleep problems, loss of interest in activities, isolation, sudden drop in academic performance, deterioration of relationships, etc.;
- Seek help from the resources available to you and your child;
- To find out more: https://sante-mentale-jeunesse.usherbrooke.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/HPp1_EN_parent_suppl_distress_resources.pdf



And above all... trust your child!

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