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SOC Update

School Newsletter

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From Alison Currie, Principal

Updates from Immigration Canada re: entry to Canada

Please note that with immediate effect, the Government of Canada has changed the entry requirements for those wishing to enter Canada.

- For international students (*one who enters Canada to study and live in Canada while they study at an approved designated learning institution*) and who are **under 18 years of age**, the requirements remain essentially the same.
- However, students who are **18 years of age or older** when they travel must qualify as a fully vaccinated traveller to enter Canada.
- Accompanying adults must also qualify as fully vaccinated travellers.

We recognize that this may affect some travel plans. We strongly urge all students and parents who are planning to travel to Canada to obtain full information at the following websites:

<https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/wizard-start>

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19/arrivecan.html>

Please check these two websites regularly. If you book travel, please forward your itinerary to SOC as soon as possible. We look forward to improved travel soon.

UPDATE – Winter Weather January 2022

Due to very heavy snowfall, all schools in southern Ontario were closed on Monday January 17 for onsite and remote learning; this closure has been extended to include today Tuesday January 18 as streets and highways are still not fully cleared and travel may be hazardous.

The decision to close schools is never made lightly, and is focussed on the health, wellbeing and safety of students and staff.

School closures are rare, and we look forward to a return to school tomorrow (Wednesday January 19)

Sincerely,

Alison Currie
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