



TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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**DELEGATION REGISTRATION FORM
FOR STANDING OR OTHER COMMITTEES**

Delegation No. _____

Public Session

Private Session

Three (3) Minutes

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE BEING RECORDED

Name	Oksana Cherchyk
Committee	Regular / Special Board
Date of Presentation	8/20/2020
Topic of Presentation	Mandatory face coverings for JK-Grade 3
Topic or Issue	I would like to express my concerns about mandatory masks for elementary students
Details	<p>I am sincerely asking to reconsider the decision about making masks/face shields mandatory for JK-Grade 3. Some of the kids starting JK are not even 4 and it will be extremely difficult for them to wear this equipment properly. To the contrary, it will be detrimental to their health and cognitive development, exacerbated by poor ventilation and air quality. We have a great example of day cares re-opening where kids don't wear masks and so far the results are very encouraging. I strongly believe that masks will do more harm than good in elementary grades. Latest Sick Kids report also does not recommend mask use in the elementary grades. Masks protect only when used properly. It will be extremely difficult for kids so small to wear a mask for 6 hours, adhering to proper safety protocols.</p> <p>I strongly suggest we align JK/SK with daycare requirements and don't mandate them to wear a mask or face shield.</p>
Action Requested	<p>Revisit the decision regarding mandatory masks/face shields for JK-Grade 3 and resolve as follows: Make masks and face shields optional for pre-schoolers and follow Daycare safety protocols.</p>
I am here as a delegate to speak only on my own behalf	Yes
I am an official representative of the Catholic School Parent Committee(CSPC)	No

I am an official representative of student government	No
I am here as a spokesperson for another group or organization	No
I have read, understand and agree to comply with the rules for Delegations as per the TCDSB Delegations Policy T14	Yes
Submittal Date	8/19/2020