

Memo #25

Date: May 24, 2019

To: Simcoe Muskoka Catholic Elementary Teachers

Re: **Second Round of Transfers; EQAO Teacher Questionnaire; Johnson Insurance Information**

Second Round of Transfers

The second round of job postings will be made available on May 29th at the end of the day.

Available positions will be posted on Employee Connect within Job Postings. If you did not apply for a transfer in the first round – or you wish to modify your first-round choices – the application form will be available on Employee Connect within Forms, and then scroll down to the transfer request window. (Please note that the transfer request form will not be available until May 29th as well.)

Placement in the second round will be based upon qualifications and seniority. Therefore, if you are applying to a specific job posting, and you are the most senior qualified applicant, you will be placed in that position.

Transfer requests remain active until August 31st, unless you withdraw or modify your application with the Human Resources Department.

EQAO Questionnaire:

The teacher questionnaire for EQAO is voluntary.

The responses from previous teacher/admin questionnaires are available on the EQAO website, <http://www.eqao.com/en/research/data-access/teacher-and-principal-questionnaire-responses>.

If there is a particular question that is of concern, I would suggest that the question be noted and forwarded to the Unit Office.

Johnson Insurance Information

Summer is rapidly approaching, and vacation is calling your name. Many will head to a nice sunny beach with crystal blue water and golden sand. Here are a few tips to keep your beach trip safe.

Check the local beach conditions before heading out, looking out for the UV index, wind conditions and humidity. The last thing you need is to arrive during a thunderstorm or to come home sunburnt. Don't go empty handed. Remember to pack the beach necessities such as sunscreen, sunglasses, a towel, change of clothes, snacks and lots of water. You might also want to remember to grab a pair of sandals as the sand can get scorching hot.

When you approach the beach, make sure to pay attention to any safety and warning signs in the area for tide conditions and dangers such as sharp coral or jellyfish.

Understand the dangers of the water and always be alert for changing conditions, such as if the water suddenly recedes or there is a sudden drop in atmospheric pressure.

Most importantly, stay hydrated! Extended exposure to the sun can lead to disorientation, dehydration or even a heat stroke. So, pack lots of water and drink up!

If you have any concerns, please contact the Unit office at 705-733-9625 or 1 800 558 4815