

TO: Parents/ Guardians/ Students

FROM: The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board

DATE: September 4, 2012

SUBJECT: Student Accident Insurance

> Important notice to parents, guardians regarding insurance for students who participate in out-of-school excursions and extra-curricular sports activities.

Effective September 2012 the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board requires that parents, guardians and adult students provide written acknowledgment that they have received information regarding Student Accident Insurance especially for those students participating in out-of-school excursions and/or extra-curricular sports activities. Attached please find the 'insuremykids' student accident insurance brochure. Although the Board takes every precaution to provide a safe learning environment for students, accidents can and do happen. Some accidental injuries result in medical, dental and/or other expenses that are not covered by the provincial health care or employer group plans. As the parent, guardian or adult student you become responsible for these expenses. Some families have private accident insurance which is able to respond to costs arising from injuries however many families do not.

Under the Education Act, an Ontario school board may "provide, by contract with an insurer under the Insurance Act, accident and life insurance for pupils, the cost of which is to be paid on a voluntary basis by the parents or guardians. R.S.O. 1990, c.E.2, s.176, par.4. ''

As required under the Education Act, the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board arranges for the distribution of student accident insurance brochures (i.e., 'insuremykids'). However, please be advised that the Board assumes no responsibility for the cost of the plan, applications, premium payments or claims; nor does the Board receive any remuneration from the Reliable Life Insurance Company. Furthermore, the Board does not and cannot insure students.

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