

Dear Students,

We recently invited you to complete an online survey about your experience with Learn At Home and what is important to you as we plan for September. Thank you for sharing your thoughts with us and with each other. We had a tremendous response - over 25,421 respondents, including 4211 students, 20,063 parents, and 1147 staff.

We are pleased to share the results with you. Here is how you can review the results:

1. Use the ThoughtExchange Discover Dashboard

You can explore the thoughts from the discussion in the Discover Pages using the links below. A few things to note about navigating the results:

- The 'Hot topics' tab shows the most relevant thoughts that cover some of the major topics that emerged.
- The 'All thoughts' tab ranks all thoughts by average rating.
- The 'Your activity' tab provides a summary of your activity and how you relate to other participants.

[Discover Dashboard Student survey](#)

[Discover Dashboard to Staff survey](#)

[Discover Dashboard to Educator survey](#)

[Discover Dashboard for Parent/Guardian survey](#)

2. Read our Detailed Analysis

We have been busy reading your thoughts and analysing the data. Our analysis includes results from the survey questions, as well as themes and examples of what we heard from the open-ended discussion. You can read the [full report here](#).

NEXT STEPS

We know that you are anxious for information about the upcoming school year. We are working on plans and expect an announcement from the Ministry of Education by August 4th. We will share those details with you as soon as possible.

School Year Calendar

The first day of school for students is Thursday, September 3rd. The school year calendar was updated to allow for school staff to receive additional training on health and safety protocols from August 31st to September 2nd as we prepare for the year ahead. You can review the calendar and key dates below. A print copy will be distributed to all students at the beginning of the school year.

[Elementary 2020-21 school calendar](#)

[Secondary 2020-21 school calendar](#)

Help Stop the Spread

In recent days, we have seen increasing numbers of COVID-19 cases in Ottawa. This is an important reminder about the need for us to be vigilant about [public health protocols](#), particularly the continued need for physical distancing, wearing a mask indoors and handwashing. We all need to do our part to help stop the spread of COVID-19.

School in September is going to look different. We are working hard to best support families in learning and well-being. Thank you for your understanding as we prepare for the year ahead.

Camille Williams-Taylor
Director of Education