



NOTICE TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS Lloyd S. King Elementary School 2026-2027 School Year Start Date Delayed

September 1, 2026 - The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation is advising parents and guardians that the start of the 2026–2027 school year at Lloyd S. King Elementary School (LSK) will be delayed to complete final facility preparation, health and safety checks, and environmental monitoring following bat remediation.

New First Day of School for LSK Students: Monday, September 14, 2026

We understand that adjustments to the school calendar create challenges for families preparing for the school year. However, ensuring a clean, fully prepared, and safe environment for our students, educators, and staff remains our top priority.

LSK was temporarily closed in July following the discovery of bats in the building. Since that time, specialized exclusion work, environmental assessments and cleaning have been underway.

Remediation & Facility Work Update

LSK was temporarily closed following the discovery of bats in the building. Since that time, comprehensive remediation and preventative measures have been carried out:

- **Bat Exclusion Completed:** Ontario Wildlife Removal Professionals completed structural exclusion work throughout the building, identifying entry points and installing physical barriers to ensure bats cannot re-enter.
- **Facility Deep Clean:** The entire school underwent a comprehensive deep clean, including annual floor stripping and sealing, as well as thorough surface disinfection in all classrooms and shared areas.
- **Specialized Gym Cleaning & Decontamination:** Following structural exclusion, specialized cleaning, decontamination, and disinfection of the full gymnasium space is scheduled for completion on September 8th.

Ongoing Monitoring & Gymnasium Closure

The LSK gymnasium will remain closed after students return to school on September 14th while secondary protocols and public health requirements are completed.



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- **Physical Isolation:** Physical containment and locked barriers guarantee zero access or physical entry from inside the building into the gymnasium or adjacent hallways, ensuring complete separation from active learning areas.
- **Outdoor Physical Education:** While the gym is unavailable, students will participate in outdoor physical activities, weather permitting.
- **Public Health Clearance:** The gymnasium is expected to remain closed for up to eight weeks while environmental monitoring is completed and final public health clearance is granted.

Welcome to Kindergarten

The annual Welcome to Kindergarten event, which normally takes place before the first day of school, was also delayed due to the building closure. The event is now planned for: **Thursday, September 10, 2026**. Further details will be provided directly to kindergarten families.

Miigwech to our students, families, educators and staff for your continued patience and support. We look forward to welcoming our students back to Lloyd S. King Elementary School on **Monday, September 14, 2026**.



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