



## **Kettle and Stony Point Education Services**

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Tuesday May 20, 2020.

TO: Parents/ Guardians/ Community Members

FROM: Cathy Hampshire, Interim Education Director

CC: Clint Couchie, CEO, KSPFN  
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RE: Hillside Closure

As you may be aware by now, Premier Ford announced yesterday that all publicly funded schools in Ontario will remain closed until September, 2020. As he stated, he was not prepared to risk the health and safety of children without the assurance that all schools will have proper safety equipment and protocols in place.

The Community Control Group (CCG) of Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation in their discussions expressed similar concerns and therefore have also decided that Hillside School will remain closed for the remainder of this academic year.

Education staff will continue to provide weekly lessons and learning opportunities during this time and all students will be issued their final report card in June. In addition, we are working on providing an outdoor Grade 8 Graduation program on June 17<sup>th</sup>, rain date June 18<sup>th</sup>. Further details will follow. As well, the staff of Hillside are planning an end of the year Rewards Assembly to recognize the many positive efforts by the students. Again, further details will follow in June.

During these challenging times, we will be working throughout the summer of the necessary protocols and safety measures we will be implementing for the return of our students this September.