

November 12, 2020

Dear Families of Students in Kindergarten to Grade 3,

The Limestone District School Board is committed to equity, inclusion and ensuring everyone feels a strong sense of belonging. To do this important work, we want to learn more about our students – their backgrounds, experiences and needs. The *See Yourself in Limestone: Student Census* will help us understand who our students are so that we can serve them better.

Collecting identity-based information through the online Student Census will help us to identify the groups of students being underserved so that we can develop and revise programs, strategies, policies and teaching practices, as well as allocate resources and supports to improve school environments and help every student succeed.

This Student Census was originally planned for spring 2020 but had to be postponed due to COVID-19 school closures. Now that we have returned to school, we have rescheduled this confidential survey for the week of November 23, 2020. The board has made some changes to the questions to reflect the effect of COVID-19 in our schools. Based on public consultations and family and community feedback, the confidential census will now also include all students in Kindergarten to Grade 12.

You are receiving this letter because we are asking all families with students in Kindergarten to Grade 3 to complete one survey for each primary student in your household. The Student Census is voluntary and confidential. You are encouraged to complete the census with your student to capture their thoughts and experiences. The survey will take approximately 20 to 30 minutes to complete.

### What do I need to do to complete the survey?

Please review:

- Parent/ Guardian Resource Guide that will support you in completing the survey on behalf of your primary student(s) - attached
- Technical Guide to support logging into the student's account (attached)
- Survey and Frequently Asked Questions on the Board's website  
<https://www.limestone.on.ca/board/studentcensus>

Thank you for your support of this important work. We look forward to sharing results with the Limestone community in the spring of 2021.

Michele Babcock  
Superintendent of Education



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