



May 5, 2023

Families,

I am writing to let you know of some upcoming improvements scheduled for John W. MacLeod – Fleming Tower Elementary (Fleming Tower site at 25 Randolph Street). Next week, the pathway from McLennan Avenue to the school is being replaced. Therefore, the pathway will be closed starting Monday, May 8, 2023, and will re-open Monday, May 15, 2023 (weather dependent).

The safety and well-being of students and staff are top priorities for the Halifax Regional Centre for Education (HRCE). The area around the pathway will be fully fenced and no equipment will be moved while students are outside.

The closure of this pathway may affect how your student gets to school.

Currently, students who take the bus to school are dropped off at the pathway. During this closure, all busing students will first arrive at John W. MacLeod – Fleming Tower Elementary (John W. MacLeod site at 1511 Purcell's Cove Road). From there, they will transfer onto one bus (two if required) and be transported to school. The bus will drop students off in the school parking lot at the end of Randolph Street. In the afternoon, one bus (two if required) will pick up all busing students and transport them to the other school site where students will transfer to their appropriate bus.

School staff will be onsite in the morning and afternoon to help manage this process. Doing this will help with congestion and eliminate the need for multiple buses in the school's parking lot. Please note, this change does not affect students who utilize special needs transportation.

For students who walk to school, they can travel up to Pearl Street and around to Randolph Street and enter the school.

While some of this work is happening during school hours, please be assured that HRCE has added security and the work has been scheduled to minimize the impact on learning.

If you have any questions, please contact the HRCE Operations Services team at hrceoperations@hrce.ca.

Sincerely,



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