

Email to staff and students: Celebrating Safely This Holiday Season
November 16, 2020

Dear Sheridan Community,

Traditionally, November and December are times of celebration for communities around the world. Members of our community celebrate Diwali, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and Christmas, among many other holiday observances during these months.

We want to wish everyone in our Sheridan community the best for this holiday season. It will take creative efforts to celebrate and be safe at the same time. Please exercise caution and follow public health guidance as you plan and undertake your celebrations. The COVID-19 pandemic is still very much with us, as evidenced by the recent designation of both Halton and Peel regions as red zones. This [directive](#) from the Peel Medical Officer of Health explains the severity of the current situation and the steps that should be taken by all of us to prevent further spread of the illness.

While our collective patience has been tried during the restrictions imposed on us during this difficult year, we need to remain focused on the greater good and do our part to help limit community spread of COVID-19. By working together and following professional guidelines, we will get through this and emerge stronger and more resilient than ever.

Thank you for your understanding, empathy and cooperation.

Wishing you well this holiday season.

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