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Contact	Business Services

1. Responsibility

- 1.1 Superintendents, principals, and departmental managers will ensure that the users of board and school services are notified when there is a disruption in services that may have an impact on access to services by people with disabilities.

2. Notice of Disruption of Service(s)

- 2.1 Notice may be given by posting the information in an applicable location at Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) facilities. Other options that may be used include: posting on the board and/or school website; through direct communication with users of the services in accordance with school practices; or on social media. Sample notices are attached as APPENDIX A.
- 2.2 If the disruption is planned, notice should be provided in advance of the disruption. If the notice is unplanned, notice should be provided as soon as possible after the disruption has been identified.
- 2.3 The notice of disruption of service must include the following information:
 - 2.3.1 the reason for the disruption;
 - 2.3.2 its anticipated duration; and,
 - 2.3.3 a description of alternative facilities or services, if any, that are available.

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SAMPLE NOTICES

Sample 1 – Access to School Building

To: Parents/Guardians and Community Users of our School

Maintenance work will make the main door of the school and the access ramp inaccessible from May 1 to May 8. A temporary ramp has been set up that gives access to the door at the east of the school building. We regret this inconvenience. If you have questions or concerns, please contact _____ at [phone number].

Thank you.

Principal

Sample 2 – Accessible Washroom

To: Visitors to the School/Site or Education Centre

Our accessible washroom is out of service due to a broken pipe. Repairs are underway and the washroom is expected to be usable again by tomorrow. In the interim, we have made arrangements for our visitors to use the accessible washroom at _____, which is located _____. We apologize for this inconvenience.

Thank you.

Principal/Manager