

Access to School Premises 2019-20

Under the Education Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.2, Ontario Regulation 474/00, *Access to School Premises*, authorizes a principal, a vice-principal or another person authorized by the Toronto District School Board to direct a person to leave the school premises where, in the judgment of the principal, vice-principal or other authorized person, the presence of that person is detrimental to the safety or well-being of a person on the premises. In such cases, a *Trespass to Property Letter* might be issued. However, a student cannot be issued a warning to trespass to a school in which they are enrolled, or if the pupil is attending a program for suspended or expelled pupils that is located on the school premises.

In the 2019-20 school year, a total of 181 trespass letters were issued: 128 (70.7%) to students and 53 (29.3%) to guardians. Table 1 shows the distribution of trespass letters by the type of trespassing.

Table 1: 2019-20 Trespass Letter Types

Trespass Letter Issued to:	Count	Percent
Persons who were not legally permitted to be on school premises	93	51.4%
Persons who were legally permitted to be on school premises	12	6.6%
Trespass warning letter	76	42.0%

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