The Covid policies in Ontario schools are unconstitutional and causing immense suffering to children.

So we're going after the policy makers.

This is a summary of our application to end school lockdowns and Covid measures. Share freely. Read the full 22 page application here

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On April 20, 2021, the Constitutional Rights Centre (CRC) filed a civil application in Ontario's Superior Court with respect to school lockdowns and COVID measures.

About this application

We filed this application on behalf of 18 children who are students in five different Ontario school boards.

The Applicants include three teachers from the school boards attended by the students and many other teachers with Educators for Human Rights, which represents teachers from many more school boards across Ontario.

The application also includes the evidence of the harms the school measures are causing children from hundreds of parents represented by Children's Health Defence (Canada).

The Ontario government and bureaucratic policy-makers are not acting in the best interests of children. In fact, they are acting *contrary* to the best interests of children.

The CRC is going after 15 respondents in this application. These include regional and provincial Health and government officials, education officials and school boards.

In addition to the legal arguments, the application also includes evidence from scientific and medical experts in the areas of:

- Masking
- PCR testing
- Public Health
- Infectious Disease
- Viral Immunology
- Clinical Epidemiology
- Children's literacy and Teaching.

What the parents told us

To prepare this application, we interviewed hundreds of parents and chose 18 children to reflect the variety of academic, physical, social and intellectual abilities of Ontario's students and parents from all walks of life.

The stories we heard were absolutely heart-wrenching and the Applicants are representative of the plight of Ontario's students. Forced measures include masking, (regardless of age, medical conditions and exemptions), testing, and isolation.

If there is a suspected COVID-19 case in school, **children are isolated in their bedrooms, with food passed through their bedroom door like a prisoner** in solitary confinement, separated from other family members for days.

This treatment of children is not only contrary to their *Charter* rights and a number of international laws, it is also child abuse. Here are just some of the neurological, psychological and physical impacts children are experiencing as a direct result of these measures:

- Depression and anxiety
- Suicide ideation and attempts: (one parent told us that her six-year-old used a credit card to slash her wrists)
- Loss of consciousness, restrictions to breathing
- Headaches and dizziness
- Dental decay
- Regression of speech development and learning
- Daily meltdowns, temper tantrums and behavioural problems
- Disproportionate impact on disabled and special needs children.

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The CRC is independent and exclusively funded by individuals like you. Please help us litigate this case.

What the application addresses

Here is a brief summary of what our application addresses. Read the full application and legal arguments here (PDF, 22 pages).

The named respondents have refused to disclose their so called "evidence" on which they are basing the Covid measures.

They also refuse to review the medical and scientific evidence provided by parents, proving the harm caused to their children. They simply assert "the data shows..." "the experts say..." and "the evidence suggests...." without providing particulars, and demand obedience to harmful policies.

The provincial and municipal officials imposing measures do not have the jurisdiction to do so. Emergencies and quarantines are controlled Federally.

The measures themselves infringe *Charter* rights to physical and psychological safety, informed consent for medical procedures and treatment and the right to education, among other rights.

The use of solitary confinement, isolation and quarantine is abusive, constitutes cruel and unusual punishment and further violates International Law under *The Torture Convention* and the *Convention on the Rights of a Child*.

It is clear to us that children are bearing the brunt of the cost of these measures... which are allegedly taken in the name of protecting them. *This is immoral*.

Here are some other issues that the application provides evidence for:

- The harm and ineffectiveness of online learning to children
- The harm and ineffectiveness of masking to children
- The false assumption that children are "super spreaders", and pose a threat to their teachers or the school community
- The fraudulent use of the unreliable PCR test
- The use of artificially inflated "case counts" to justify measures
- The egregious treatment of children with special needs, causing them irreparable harm.

The application also declares that "lock downs", "stay at home orders" and curfews are forms of Martial Law under the *Constitution Act*, 1987.

An update on the progress of this case

The CRC filed this application with the Superior Court of Ontario on April 20, 2021.

The Attorney General of Ontario immediately wrote to the Superior Court and asked the judge to Dismiss the case outright for being "frivolous and vexatious" and not even look at any evidence or conduct a hearing.

The CRC won against the Attorney General's request.

On May 27, 2021, a judge of the Superior Court ruled that the school application "cites known grounds of *Charter* challenge" and that it is *not* "frivolous and vexatious". The Superior Court ruling states that it is necessary to have a "complete record and full legal arguments" to determine the case.

We are in the final stages of completing our "record" which includes details of the personal experiences of the children and parents and the high-quality evidence-based, scientific and medical experts.

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We need your help and support in bringing this evidence before the Court.

What we hope the application will accomplish

This case asks the Court to order the government public officials to let Ontario's children go back to school, without masks, without PCR testing, without social distancing, for in-person learning. It orders the named respondents to stop:

- Closing or locking down any schools
- · Requiring any masking or face-covering of any children or teachers
- Requiring solitary confinement of children, and barring contact with family members for any amount of time
- Conducting classes and school by remote online, virtual or distance instruction.

Respecting the science, the application also orders the respondents to:

- Stop using a PCR test above a 25 threshold cycle as a screening test
- Stop registering a case as "positive" based solely on a PCR test
- Stop declaring two "positive" PCR test results an "outbreak"
- Reveal the sources of the advice they have received, and the scientific evidence they are using to justify the measures

- Reveal all PCR test data they have gathered, including the threshold cycle rates they have used
- Release all "case" data, and co-relate this data to "all cause mortality" data
- Co-relate the locations and ages of those dead "from" as opposed to "with" Covid, and the demographic ages of the deaths.

So far, the CRC has spent hundreds of hours conducting interviews, drafting, researching, preparing and filing the application pleadings, evidence and record. The legal foundation and the evidence on this case, including the expert evidence, is authoritative and persuasive and we are optimistic for a positive outcome.

For this reason, the CRC needs your help more than ever.

If we can end the lockdown measures and the mask mandates, we can give children back their childhood.

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The CRC is not charging the Applicant parents and teachers for this application. Any amount is appreciated.

We greatly appreciate any support you can provide, whether that is sharing this update widely, or making a donation.

Thank you for your continued and generous support of the CRC cases.

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