

MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and
Commissioner Thomas Carrique
Chairs, Police Services Boards

FROM: Richard Stubbings
Assistant Deputy Minister
Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: **Resuming On-site Training at the Ontario Police
College**

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I am writing to advise that as of March 28, 2021, the COVID-19 outbreak at the Ontario Police College (OPC) has been resolved. As such, the Basic Constable Training (BCT) program will resume on-site training as of Monday, April 12, 2021.

During the BCT pause, OPC consulted with Southwestern Public Health (SWPH) and implemented the following enhanced mitigation strategies:

- Active screening;
- Request for recruits to arrive with a negative PCR test within the last 72 hours;
- Regular rapid antigen testing; and,
- Vaccinations (will be provided to recruits on April 14, 2021).

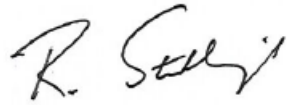
Recruits will be scheduled to arrive by class on Saturday, April 10, 2021 and Sunday, April 11, 2021 and will follow the enhanced mitigation strategies listed above, along with being issued medical masks and briefed on the enhanced mitigation strategies.

Training will be delivered at an accelerated 6/6/5/3 days-a-week schedule in order to complete the remaining 20 days of practical instruction. A virtual March Past will be held on the afternoon of Wednesday, May 5, 2021 after the final exam.

OPC continues to work with SWPH to ensure the health and safety of all recruits and staff.

Please be advised that as a result of the pause in the current BCT program, the May intake will now commence on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 with a completion date of Friday, August 6, 2021. As part of the May intake, a vaccination clinic for the recruits is tentatively scheduled for May 14, 2021.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Stubbings". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Richard Stubbings
Assistant Deputy Minister
Public Safety Division