

## **TOOL 12.4:** Sample Letter/Email from School to Parents

Dear(Parents' names)
We are happy to hear that your child is feeling well enough to start the return-to-learn process after his/her concussion. To make sure teachers and staff are prepared, we would like your insight on the following symptoms. Please check the answers that best fit your child.
Fatigue         My child       □ tires easily       □ has the normal amount of energy.         My child has the most energy in the       □ morning       □ afternoon       □ evening.
Behaviour  My child □ is easily frustrated □ isn't easily frustrated.  My child has been acting □ the same □ different compared to before concussion.
Memory         My child's memory seems       □ fine       □ impaired.
Cognition         My child seems to be able to understand complex thoughts and ideas. ☐ Yes ☐ No         My child is able to read for ☐ less than ½ hour ☐ ½ to 1 hour ☐ more than 1 hour.         My child can handle different technologies (example: TV, computers). ☐ Yes ☐ No         My child can complete some homework. ☐ Yes ☐ No
Stamina         My child makes it through a day without a period of rest.       □ Yes □ No
Social  My child is becoming isolated or has different friends than before the concussion. □ Yes □ No  My child can handle noisy/busy environments. □ Yes □ No
Awareness  My child feels like there is nothing wrong with him/her after the concussion. $\square$ Yes $\square$ No My child understands that there have been changes and would like help. $\square$ Yes $\square$ No
Please elaborate on any other changes you've noticed in your child. We want to be ready to manage your child's return-to-learn process and make accommodations to ensure success.
Sincerely,(school contact person's name)
Telephone/email

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