



NORTH SURREY

S e c o n d a r y S c h o o l

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Hello North Surrey families,

We are finishing our third week and I want to quickly thank all our staff and community members for making this new learning happen so quickly and with success. We are still taking a slow and steady approach to make sure that no student is left behind. This cautious approach will hopefully build a foundation of learning for students as we head into the next weeks ahead. As this new form of instruction is developing, I know the staff are engaging themselves in trying to make the delivery of their lessons meaningful and focused on the priority learning outcomes for each of their courses. We've had a high success rate of students being engaged with their teachers, however, if you feel that there is something that is needed for your child please reach out to their teacher who will be there to assist you. If you have further inquires please don't hesitate to call the school.

As we move to an online learning environment, two-way video conferencing may be a benefit should teachers utilize this technology. In order for student to use this form of learning and communication they must fill out the attached consent form and email it back to northsurrey@surreyschools.ca. We need to have parent consent before using two-way video conferencing.

Lately in the news there has been some communication around the concept of "relaxation of restrictions". I want to share with you what this means for our school community. It does not necessarily mean return to school as we know it. Our community is still operating under the direction of Dr. Henry and her recommendations around self-isolation and no gathering of groups. So specifically, the learning that's happening presently at home is going to continue for some time.

Students need to know the learning that is taking place at home does matter. The work that they are currently doing will have an impact on their grades. We are assessing their work as we normally do. We understand some students will not be able to perform their task as effectively as they could if they were in school.

Student report cards will be published *Monday, April 20th* and parents can find their child's marks and work habits on the MyEd parent portal. If you do not have access to this online reporting, please call the school or visit the school website for information for how to log on. If you have any questions regarding your child's mark, remember our teachers are available to answer any questions. Grades on the April report card may be based primarily on assessment of learning that happened prior to spring break.

I hope this email finds you well and healthy and know that we miss each and every student.

Take care,

D. Bedard