



Hillside Jr/Sr High School
"A Caring Commitment to Learning"



Northern Gateway
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Dear Parents,

As I indicated in my phone call earlier this week, I hope you all have been coping well with these extraordinary times, and that you and your families are safe and healthy. As you can well imagine, it has been pretty upside down here at school!

I am pleased that we are able to outline our plan for supporting student learning while classes are cancelled. We have attempted to speak to the families of all our students over the last two days and so many of you will have heard that we are moving forward with core classes (English, Social Studies, Math and Science) on an online platform, via Google Classroom, Google Meets, and other apps and technologies.

So what will this look like?

- All classes will have a google classroom created for sharing of all materials. If the classroom is newly created, students will be invited to join the classroom through their ngps email.
- All teachers will be uploading a pre-recorded lesson or hosting a live google meet two times a week.
- Lessons will be able to be viewed on your time schedule - you do not have to be signed on at a certain class time to access materials
- Teachers will be assigning tasks, practice questions, projects for students to work on independently
- Teachers have set "office hours" throughout the week. These will be times when teachers are guaranteed to be available to their students to answer questions and provide feedback. During these times teachers will be available by google meet, telephone or email.
- All teachers have left Friday unscheduled so that students are able to set up individual appointments.
- We have also included a copy of teacher schedules to this letter.
- Teachers will all be available between 9:15 and 3:00 each work day, so parents/students can reach out to them during this time even if it is not their designated office hours. They may not be immediately available though if they are recording lessons or completing other tasks but they will respond.
- If you need help outside of the 9:15-3:00 timeframe please contact the teacher to make arrangements
- Programming for grade 12 students will begin Monday, March 23
- Programming for grades 7 - 11 will begin Wednesday, March 25
- The Minister of Education made an announcement on Friday setting the following guidelines which we will be adhering to:

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- Teachers will assign an average of 10 hours of work per student per week - total work per week, not per course - for junior high students (grade 7-9)
- Teachers will assign an average of 3 hours of work per course per week for senior high students (grade 10-12)

For families with limited or no access to technology, we will be reaching out to you once again to develop individual plans going forward.

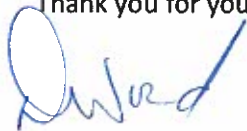
We have received inquiries from students and their families about graduation requirements and today the Ministry made some announcements regarding these questions. Of significant note is the announcement that Diploma Exams have been cancelled. However, we know that students must still complete their core courses - English, Social Studies, Math and Sciences in order to graduate. Teachers are required to teach and assess students in these courses and to provide a final mark. This means that students are required to complete these courses if required for graduation. There were also announcements about complementary courses and we will share how we are dealing with them as we move through the next couple of weeks.

We recognize that this situation is less than ideal, but we are doing our utmost to support all students in their ongoing education during this time of crisis and we will be adjusting our delivery methods as need be to best support student learning.

On a final note, slowing the spread of infection is of the utmost importance and we strongly encourage all of our students to stay at home, not to gather socially nor to gather to do school work except through virtual means.

If we have not been able to contact you over the last few days we ask that you call the school so we can discuss how best to support your child going forward.

Thank you for your support,



Mrs. D. Wood
Principal

Sr High Office Hours		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Mrs. K. Caron Math 10C/31	Mr. Cooney Physics 20 /30	Mrs. K. Caron Math 10/31	Mr. Cooney Physics 20 /30	BY APPOINTMENT- send us an email or phone us to book a specific time
10:00am -11:00am	Mrs. Serediak Bio 20 Only	Ms. Benard Science 14 Math 20-3	Ms. Benard Science 14 Math 20-3	Mrs. Serediak Bio 20 Only	Ms. Benard Science 14 Math 20-3	
11:00am-12:00pm	Mrs. K. Caron Math 10C/31	Mr. Cooney Math 10 C	Mr. Cooney Math 10,31	Mrs. K. Caron Math 10,31	Mr. Cooney Math 10 C	
	Mrs. Serediak Sci 10	Ms. Benard Chem 30	Mrs. Serediak Sci 10	Mrs. Serediak Sci 10	Ms. Benard Chem 30	
Lunch						
	Mr. Stanley English 10-2/20-2	Mr. Lowe Science 30	Mr. Stanley English 10-2/20-2	Mr. Stanley English 10-2/20-2	Mr. Lowe Science 30	
	Mr. Chaffey Social 30-2	Mr. Lawson English 20-1/30-2	Mr. Chaffey Social 30-2	Mr. Chaffey Social 30-2	Mr. Lawson English 20-1/30-2	
1:00pm-2:00pm	Mr. Staples English 30-1	Mrs. Boman-Outreach Support	Mr. Staples English 30-1	Mr. Staples English 30-1	Mrs. Boman-Outreach Support	
		Mrs. Newman Social 10-1	Mrs. Newman Social 10-1	Mrs. Newman Social 10-1	Mrs. Newman Social 10-1	
	Mr. Stanley English 10-2/20-2	Mr. Lowe Science 30	Mr. Stanley English 10-2/20-2	Mr. Stanley English 10-2/20-2	Mr. Lowe Science 30	
	Mr. Chaffey Social 30-2	Mr. Lawson English 20-1/30-2	Mr. Chaffey Social 30-2	Mr. Chaffey Social 30-2	Mr. Lawson English 20-1/30-2	
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Jr. High Office Hours						
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
	Mrs. K. Caron Math 9	Ms. Benard Science 8	Mrs. K. Caron Math 9	Ms. Benard Science 8	BY APPOINTMENT- send us an email or phone us to book a specific time	
	Mrs. M Caron Social 7/9 LA 8	Mr. Gauthier LA 7/Social 8	Mrs. M Caron Social 7/9 LA 8	Mr. Gauthier LA 7/Social 8		
10:00am-11:00am	Ms. Osborne Science 7/8/ Math 8	Mrs. Wolfe LA 8/9	Ms. Osborne Science 7/8/ Math 8	Mrs. Wolfe LA 8/9		
	Mrs. Serediak Science 9	Mr. Cooney Math 9	Mrs. Serediak Science 9	Mr. Cooney Math 9		
	Mrs. K. Caron Math 9	Mr. Gauthier LA 7/Social 8	Mrs. K. Caron Math 9	Mr. Gauthier LA 7/Social 8		
	Mrs. M Caron Social 7/9 LA 8	Mrs. Wolfe LA 8,9	Mrs. M Caron Social 7/9 LA 8	Mrs. Wolfe LA 8,9		
11:00am-12:00pm	Ms. Osborne Science 7/8/ Math 8	Ms. Gebels	Ms. Osborne Science 7/8/ Math 8	Ms. Gebels		
LUNCH						
	Mr. Stanley LA 9	Mr. Lowe Science 9	Mr. Stanley LA 9	Mr. Lowe Science 9		
	Ms. Kirchner Science 7/8	Mr. Lawson LA9	Ms. Kirchner Science 7/8	Mr. Lawson LA9		
1:00pm-2:00pm	Mr. Loewen Math 7/9KE Social 7/8	Mrs. Berry Math 7/8	Mr. Loewen Math 7/9KE Social 7/8	Mrs. Berry Math 7/8		
	Ms. Kirchner Science 7/8	Mrs. Berry Math 7/8	Ms. Kirchner Science 7/8	Mrs. Berry Math 7/8		
	Mr. Stanley LA 9	Mr. Lowe Science 9	Mr. Stanley LA 9	Mr. Lowe Science 9		
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