



NORTH DELTA SECONDARY

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Dear Parent / Guardian,

We hope this letter finds you and your family well.

This letter contains very important information for parents/guardians and students of North Delta Secondary regarding:

- Support for Students and Families
- Student expectations during remote learning
- Protocols for Parents/Guardians Taking Photos, Videos or Audio Footage
- Access to Counselling support
- Schedule for Learning
- Report Cards

Support for Students and Families

We recognize that as we continue to live in these uncertain and challenging times, additional stresses and pressures are placed on many families. Families who are experiencing challenges in meeting basic needs and/or students who are struggling to engage in learning because of their limited access to technology are encouraged to contact the school. The school is happy to provide any supports possible and/or refer families to supports available in the community.

Student Expectations during Remote Learning

As students and staff move forward with remote learning, it is important that students are aware of the following expectations:

- Students are expected to be in contact with each of their teachers at a minimum of one time each week.
- Students are strongly encouraged to contact their teachers more than one time each week as necessary.
- Students are expected to engage in a meaningful way in the learning tasks that are shared out by teachers

Protocols for Parents/Guardians Taking Photos, Videos or Audio Footage

With the shift to remote learning, we ask that parents respect the privacy of students in virtual classrooms. Here are some helpful guidelines and tips:

- Take photos or video or audio footage of your child only
- Do not post photos, video or audio online that feature children other than your own, unless you have express permission from their parents/guardians to do so
- Please bear in mind that virtual classrooms allow teachers and other students to see into your home, so you may wish to set up a backdrop that protects the privacy of you and your family

Delta Police Department has shared the following online resources to help keep kids safe online:

- <https://www.cybertip.ca/app/en/signup>
- <https://protectkidsonline.ca/app/en/>

Access to Counselling Support

Students and families who would like to speak with a counsellor should email the appropriate counsellor and request that the counsellor contact them by phone. As a result of Ms. Hughes' recent transition to a new role as a District Coordinator, students have been assigned to counsellors according to the following breakdown:

Ms. S. Sharma:	Grade 8, Grade 11 A -I, Grade 12 A-F
Ms. A. Kaila:	Grade 9, Grade 11 J-O, Grade 12 G-O
Ms. F. Cipriano:	Grade 10, Grade 11 P-Z , Grade 12 P-Z

Schedule for Learning

Students should expect learning activities to be shared with them by their teachers according to the schedule below. Should students have questions or require clarification about any learning activities, they are encouraged to contact their teacher on any day. On most Fridays, teachers may designate 'office hours' during which a student can contact a teacher for individualized support. Students who regularly receive support from a Learning Support Teacher or Educational Assistant are encouraged to contact these individuals on any day to access assistance with learning activities.

Schedule for April 13 - 17

Mon, Apr 13	Tues, Apr 14	Wed Apr 15	Thurs, Apr 16	Fri, Apr 17
Easter	Blocks A/A1/A2	Blocks B/B1/B2	Blocks C/C1/C2	Blocks D/D1/D2, 'X' Block

Schedule for April 20 - 24

Mon, Apr 20	Tues, Apr 21	Wed, Apr 22	Thurs, Apr 23	Fri, Apr 24
Blocks A/ A1/A2	Blocks B/B1/B2	Blocks C/C1/C2	Blocks D /D1 /D2	'X' Block, Office Hours, General Support

Schedule for April 27 – May 1

Mon, Apr 27	Tues, Apr 28	Wed, Apr 29	Thurs, Apr 30	Fri, May 1
Blocks A/A1/A2	Blocks B/B1/B2	Blocks C/C1/C2	Blocks D/D1/D2, 'X' Block	'X' Block, Office Hours, General Support

Report Cards

Report cards were posted on Student & Parent Connect on Thursday, April 16. Marks included in this reporting period reflect learning that has taken place up until March 13. Students and parents who have questions regarding specific classes should email the teacher directly.

We recognize that these are challenging times for students and families. As a school, we will continue to support students and families in their health, well-being and learning. Please contact the school if you require assistance in any way.

Sincerely,

Mr. A. Akune, Principal Grade 12

Mr. K. Dalgetty, Vice-Principal Grade 8, 10

Mr. B. Scarr, Vice-Principal Grade 9, 11