



Lockerby Composite School

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Dear Viking Community:

We hope all is well with you and your family during these unprecedented times. We recognize that all families are facing many challenges.

As many of you are aware, all schools in Ontario will be remaining closed until Monday, May 4th, 2020, and possibly longer, in order to contain the spread of COVID-19. To ensure continuity of learning, the Ministry of Education has launched the second phase of 'Learn at Home,' and subsequently, Rainbow District School Board has developed a Distance Learning Plan for all of their students within the Greater Sudbury Area, Espanola, and Manitoulin Island. Ultimately, teacher-led learning will begin on Monday, April 6th, 2020.

We understand the needs of our Viking Community and we are doing our best to answer any challenges related to the implementation of this new provincial and local framework. Lockerby Composite School has been exploring creative means, with all of its staff members, to make at-home learning a positive experience. Our overarching goal over the next several weeks in supporting our Vikings students is to provide opportunities for them to demonstrate overall expectations in their Semester 2 classes and to achieve credits, while creating a supportive learning environment and building a sense of belonging for each of our students.

The Rainbow District School Board Distance Learning Plan is a fluid document. At this time, please know that within the Google Platform at Lockerby Composite School (and otherwise):

- students will be following their Semester 2 timetables each day (Day 1 is an 'odd day' and Day 2 is an 'even day');
- staff will be available to connect with students during their period of instruction (and otherwise) as part of their timetables;
- attendance for classes will be taken;
- our delivery of classes will be a combination of 'synchronous' (eg. live lessons) and 'asynchronous' (eg. pre-recorded lessons and/or information posted online) delivery;
- each Viking student will be expected to complete/participate in their online learning for (at a minimum) three hours (work assigned) per course per week;
- staff will provide ongoing assessment of student learning within each of their courses, based on their curriculum and course content delivery;
- final report cards will be issued to students at the end of the semester and as per Ministry of Education directives, Grade 12s will be receiving a Midterm Report Card;
- our staff will continue to monitor and reach out to students who have accessibility issues with respect to technology and internet services;
- instructions will be provided to our Viking students with respect to expectations within the virtual learning environment (over the next few weeks).

Rainbow District School Board continues to encourage all parents/guardians to visit rainbowschools.ca often, as learning resources are being updated. Therein, Rainbow District School Board also has posted links to information on mental health and COVID-19. As always, the health and safety of students and staff is our first and foremost priority. Thank you for your patience as we embark on this new journey together.

Sincerely,
LOCKERBY COMPOSITE SCHOOL
Per:

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