



**To: All W.R. Myers High School Parents & Students**

**Re: November 24<sup>th</sup> Provincial COVID-19 Closures**

Dear Parents & Students of W.R. Myers,

As you may have already heard, the Provincial Government has declared that schools from Grades 7 and up will not be resuming on campus classes as of Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. This announcement comes as quite a shock and although we did not anticipate this type of directive, please know that the staff of WRM has been pre-emptively preparing for a situation that involved school closure.

Today, there will be a district wide school administrators meeting where we will start to lay the groundwork for a conversion to online learning. Because of the hard work and preparation that WRM has put in place, we believe that we will be able to make this transition to online learning relatively smoothly.

For now, we ask for your patience as we work to formulate a plan that will look after our students. Their academic success takes top priority and we will come out with more information in the days to come. For now, please know that school will resume as planned for Wednesday, November 25, Thursday, November 26, and Friday, November 27.

In the meantime, here are some things that you can do to prepare for the upcoming transition:

- 1) Ensure that your children have solid, dedicated workspaces that they can work from at home.
- 2) Check your internet connections at home to ensure that your children can connect to their classes.
- 3) Ensure that at-home learning devices have webcams and audio, and also have Google Classroom installed on them as that will be the platform in which online learning will occur. Please also ensure that your child(s) student email address is active and they know the password.

Parents and students must be aware that this round of online learning will **NOT** be like last spring. Because of our early preparation, students will still be expected to login to their online classes at their regularly scheduled class times and should refresh their memory on how to submit assignments via Google Classroom. School is expected to resume in January, so teachers will still be diligently covering their curriculum between now and then.

Sincerely,

The Staff of WRM


**W.R. Myers High School Learning Continuity Plan**


COVID protocols mean that students and teachers may be away from school for extended periods of time. If students are required to stay at home, they are expected to be proactive and continue their learning by accessing provided resources to complete provided work. The following table summarizes the responsibilities of the school and family/student.

<p><b>Learning Supports:</b> Our teachers use Google Classroom to distribute and collect student work when they cannot do so directly. These platforms may also provide links to additional resources. Students may be required to make use of their textbooks and other assigned resources.</p>	
<p><b>Responsibilities of Family/Student:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☐ Keep track of class progress and resources by accessing GOOGLE CLASSROOM.</li> <li>☐ Contact the teacher if you have technical difficulties or have questions about work assigned.</li> <li>☐ Contact the school if you need access technology.</li> <li>☐ Understand that PowerSchool grades only reflect completed assignments and are not a cumulative average.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Responsibilities of School:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☐ Teachers will ensure that learning continues and support is provided.</li> <li>☐ Teachers will ensure communication on how to access GOOGLE CLASSROOM when absent from class.</li> <li>☐ Practice login procedures and verify school accounts are working properly.</li> <li>☐ Contact the school if you need access technology.</li> <li>☐ Ensure that the class content is updated on GOOGLE CLASSROOM regularly.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Your child will have access to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☐ Content covered in class on specific days.</li> <li>☐ Assignments that are expected to be completed</li> <li>☐ Lesson Materials to support student learning.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Your child will have access to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☐ Content covered in class on specific days.</li> <li>☐ Assignments that are expected to be completed</li> <li>☐ Lesson Materials to support student learning</li> <li>☐ Teacher via remote support.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Upon return:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☐ Focus on current learning and re-orienting to classroom and school routines</li> <li>☐ Teachers will work with students and parents to develop a reasonable plan to assist students to be successful in completion of courses during this temporary online learning session.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Upon return:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☐ Focus on current learning and re-orienting to classroom and school routines</li> <li>☐ Teachers will work with students and parents to develop a reasonable plan to assist students to be successful in completion of required coursework during this temporary online learning session.</li> </ul>