



DELVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

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May 14th, 2021

Dear Delview Families,

We hope our families are well. We have now reached mid-May and have only 6 weeks remaining in our fourth and final quarter of the 2020-2021 school year. While it is great to see the weather improve and provide opportunities for students and families to be outdoors, we are encouraging students to remain engaged in their courses as we head towards our final month.

Delta School District Visioning 2030

We would like to thank our parents/guardians and students for engaging in the Delta Visioning conversation this past Wednesday evening. The online event was well attended, and it was amazing to hear from many of our students on what they want to see for the future of our District.

In the coming weeks there are additional opportunities for families and students to participate in the visioning process.

Parent Survey – May 13 – June 15 <https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/vision-2030-parent-guardian-survey>

Student Survey – May 25 – June 8

Community Partners Survey – May 25 – June 8

Links to the surveys will be sent out by email. There may be other opportunities over the month of May and June. I will update you as these come available.

Student Fees

Before the end of June, I would encourage families to see if they have any outstanding balances for their students' fees. You can check balances and make payments on Parent Connect. Another option for payment is to write a cheque to the school or use a debit card at the school. Clearing up school fees is an important thing to take care of by the end of the year. If students have bought yearbooks and they have outstanding fees we will not release the yearbook until those fees are taken care of. If there are any financial hardship requests, please contact me directly and we can see if we can help come to a solution that works for all of us.

Health and Safety Protocols:

The news indicates that the number of positive results is decreasing, the number of doses of the vaccines available are increasing, the number of people getting their first shot is increasing and who can get their first shot is expanding. This is good news, but we need to remember that the vaccine alone will not get us out of the COVID problems we are having. We must still follow all the recommendations from the PHO and be vigilant. Up-to-date protocols – can be viewed here: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/info/restrictions>

A quick reminder that Fraser Health and the Provincial Health Officer set the protocols for us to follow as a school. Please keep yourself up to date. Changes are constantly happening depending on the information that they have. Keep safe and well.

We ask students and families to review and continue to adhere to all Health and Safety Protocols:

- wear a face covering at all times when indoors
- disperse in a timely manner at the end of the school day
- maintain physical distancing and wear masks outside the school prior to and after classes
- wash re-wearable masks daily after they have been worn
- keep at least 2 meters/6 feet from people outside of your cohort
- regularly wash/sanitize your hands
- sneeze and cough into the crease of your elbow
- refrain from gathering with people who are outside of your immediate household
- complete the [Daily Health Check](#)
- remain at home when feeling ill or showing symptoms of illness

NEW FRASER HEALTH CONTACT NUMBER

The Fraser Health Authority has now created a dedicated telephone line for school COVID-related inquiries. The new number to call for advice regarding COVID-19 symptoms is **604-587-4769**. This number replaces 8-1-1 for COVID-related advice.

Informing the School of COVID-Related Health Issues

In the event that a family experiences testing protocols, or receives a self-isolation notice related to the COVID-19 virus, we are requesting that families contact the school to inform us. We would like to centralize the collection of this information so that we can effectively follow up as necessary in an effort to keep our community safe. Please call 604-594-5491 or email delview.sec@deltasd.bc.ca.

COVID-19 Collection Sample Kits in Schools

This week, our school received collection sample kits to help make testing for COVID-19 easier and faster for students and their families. The kits come with detailed instructions for parents on how to collect the sample. Samples are to be taken at home and dropped off at a Life Labs location within 24 hours, not at the school.

The collection sample kits will be given to any student that starts to exhibit COVID-19 symptoms while at school if the parent/guardian wants one. We recognize that not all parents will be able to drop off a kit at a Life Labs location in a timely manner, or some parents may prefer to take their child to a testing location.

All parents are encouraged to continue to monitor their children daily for COVID-19-like symptoms using the [Daily Health Check](#), and to keep them home if they show signs of illness.

Quarter 4 Assessment

Over the next week teachers will be communicating with families by phone or email if students have not been engaging through the start of the 4th quarter. Quarter 4 mid-term report cards will be viewable on Friday, May 28th. As always, if you have any questions regarding your child's progress, please reach out to the classroom teacher by email.

Grad Celebrations

This year's Graduation Commencement Ceremony will be held at North Delta Secondary on the afternoon of June 5th, 2021. More information will be sent directly to graduates and their families next week.

Today is the deadline for graduates to complete their Commencement comments. Any students who do not submit a personal comment will have a 'canned' comment read that is inserted by the school.

[Commencement Comments Submission Form](#)

Staff Email:

The Delta School District is moving all staff to Microsoft Outlook and Teams. This process has now been completed at Delview Secondary. The District's move to Microsoft should have minimal impact on families, but you will start to see a different ending to staff's email addresses – going forward, staff email addresses will end with @deltaschools.ca. The structure of the front part of the email address is exactly the same, i.e. first initial last name

– kvasconcelos@deltaschools.ca

If you send something to @deltasd.bc.ca it will be forwarded to the @deltaschools.ca mailbox. This forwarding will last until the end of our current school year. Students will not be affected at all as Delta is keeping Google and @deltalearns.ca as the primary platform for students.

Our office staff has now updated staff email addresses on the Delview website. If you have any questions, please contact the Delview office at 604 594 5491.

Summer Learning in the Classroom is Back

The Delta School District is once again offering a variety of courses for students residing in Delta in grades 8 to 12 this summer. To view what's available please go to our Summer Learning Landing page here:

<https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/programs/continuing-education/summer-school-registration/>

City of Delta Scholarships

The City of Delta offers two scholarships for graduating high school students that reside in Delta.

Agriculture Scholarship

If your child is interested in a career in agriculture, you'll want to know about this great funding opportunity. The City of Delta and Delta's Agricultural Advisory Committee are offering a \$2,000 scholarship opportunity for Delta high school students who reside in Delta to assist in pursuing post-secondary education in the area of agriculture. The deadline to apply is May 21. Visit the City of Delta's website for more information and application forms. <http://delta.ca/environment-sustainability/agriculture/overview>

Heritage Commission Scholarship

This scholarship is provided in an effort to encourage students to display an interest in local or regional heritage, as demonstrated through an original piece of work. The scholarship is valued at \$1,000 and applied to a student's post-secondary studies. The deadline to apply is May 17. Visit the City of Delta's website for more information and application forms. <http://delta.ca/discover-delta/heritage/heritage-awards-scholarship>

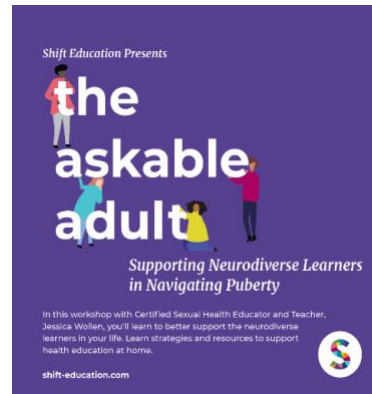
Family Workshops

"The Askable Adult: Supporting Neurodiverse Learners in Navigating Puberty". A free evening of learning for caregivers. **May 26th – 6:30-8:30 p.m. (over Zoom)**

Register early, as spots are limited! <https://bit.ly/3bmCJEa>

Topics covered include:

- Typical markers in childhood sexual development
- What changes occur during puberty
- Resources to support puberty education for your child
- Online safety: Tips and Tricks
- Clarifying the values you have in your home around healthy friendships and intimate relationships
- Strategies to have conversations with your kids



About the presenter:

"SHIFT Education is me, Jessy Wollen, teacher and certified sexual health educator. Through workshops, professional development training, and resources, I forge the way for teachers, caretakers, parents and grandparents who want to learn how to talk to young people – including diverse learners – about sexuality without being weird about it. IT takes a bit of work and a whole lot of humour."

Overdose Alert

There continues to be increased reports of overdose across the Fraser Health Region. No particular substance has been identified. Some of these events are suspected to be substances contaminated with benzodiazepines. Please see the [poster](#) for more information from Fraser Health

Upcoming events:

May 21 st	Pro D Day (No School)
May 24 th	Victoria Day – school closed
May 27 th	Quarter 4 Mid-Term Reports
May 31 st	PAC Meeting @ 7:00pm
June 5 th	Grad Commencement Ceremony

Thank you to our entire Delview school community for your continued support. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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