



DELVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear Delview Families,

We hope all our families continue to be well. We cannot believe that we have now finished our first week of June and I know staff and students are counting down to the end of our school year. Please continue to encourage your child(ren) to keep up their learning, stay engaged, utilize the Flexible Learning Time to support their learning and enjoy the last four weeks of school before we break for summer.

This weekend we are looking forward to watching our 2021 Delview Graduates cross the stage at our Commencement ceremony. The entire Delview community are incredibly proud of your hard work and dedication.

This week has been a hard one for many. The Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation in Kamloops, B.C., discovered the remains of more than 215 children buried at the site of a former residential school. This news is utterly devastating, and we recognize that this tragedy is far reaching, causing trauma and a wide range of difficult emotions, in particular for the Indigenous members of our community. Our hearts go out to the families of the children, and to all communities closely impacted. As a school, Delview has recognized this tragedy with announcements, staff and students wearing orange shirts, teachers teaching lessons about Residential Schools and Truth and Reconciliation, and a “walk-in” on Thursday. Jo Chrona has posted a very impactful blog post about Residential Schools and the lasting tragedy it has on Indigenous communities and our community as a whole. She outlines ideas of next steps that we as individuals can take in moving from awareness to action. I encourage families to read this:

<https://luudisk.com/2021/06/01/you-ask-what-you-can-do/>

End of the Year Schedule

The last day of in person classes for students will be June 23rd, with June 24th and 25th scheduled as ‘I’ Days. The ‘I’ Day will be used by staff to allow students to complete missing assessments prior to the end of quarter 4. Many classes on the transition day will be optional for students to attend but will be at the discretion of the classroom teacher.

Reporting and Assessment:

Quarter 4 mid-term report cards were released to families on May 28th. Report Cards are viewable on students MyEd portal and Parent Connect. If you are unable to view your child’s report card, please contact the school for assistance on how to access the report card. Final quarter 4 report cards will be released on June 29th. *If you have any concerns about your student’s progress, please contact the teacher directly via email. A reminder that students have the opportunity for support and assistance every day from 1:30pm – 2:10pm during Flexible Learning Time.*

2021 – 2022 School Calendar & Schedule:

Last week Delview families received a separate email containing our 2021 -2022 school calendar which outlines days in session, non-instructional days, reporting periods and other important dates for your planning.

This year, schools had to be able to pivot or adjust their schedule based on COVID-19 cases and, we foresee a similar situation for the next school year. In preparation for the return to classes in the fall, the Province's COVID-19 education steering committee will work with public health officials to update safety guidelines. We will share further information as soon as we receive it.

After many consultations with the district, the Ministry and other secondary schools around schedules and structures that best support student learning and teachers in their role as instructors, Delview Secondary will be returning to a semester schedule for the 2021 – 2022 school year. Below is the structure and time of the 2021-2022 bell schedule.

Delview's 2021-2022 Bell Schedule:

Time	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:30-9:40	BLOCK A (70 MIN)	BLOCK B (70 MIN)	Collaboration/Prep 8:30-9:30	BLOCK C (70 MIN)	BLOCK D (70 MIN)
9:45-10:27	Flex (42 MIN)	Flex (42 MIN)	BLOCK A. 9:35-10:40 (65 MIN)	Flex (42 MIN)	Flex (42 MIN)
10:32-11:42	BLOCK B (70 MIN)	BLOCK A (70 MIN)	BLOCK B. 10:45-11:52 (67 MIN)	BLOCK D (70 MIN)	BLOCK C (70 MIN)
11:42-12:25	Lunch (43 Min)	Lunch (43 Min)	Lunch 11:52-12:30	Lunch (43 Min)	Lunch (43 Min)
12:25-1:35	BLOCK C (70 MIN)	BLOCK D (70 MIN)	BLOCK C. 12:35-1:40 (65 MIN)	BLOCK A (70 MIN)	BLOCK B (70 MIN)
1:40 - 2:50	BLOCK D(70 MIN)	BLOCK C(70 MIN)	BLOCK D 1:45-2:50 (65 MIN)	BLOCK B(70 MIN)	BLOCK A(70 MIN)
3:00-4:00	X Block	X Block	X Block	X Block	X Block

The school year will again be broken down into two semesters. Each semester will comprise of four blocks, where students will be attending four 70-minute classes per day with a scheduled 40-minute flex block 4 days per week. The schedule will rotate on a 4-day schedule Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday with a consistent block order on Wednesdays. On Wednesdays, we will once again have a later start to support the district initiative of Teacher Collaboration Days. Students will begin class at 9:30am on Wednesdays and end at 2:50pm.

The flex time will be used as instructional time to provide additional support for students within their classes. The time will also be used to provide academic support in our inclusive learning programs (LST, Gradquest, SLP). The 4-day rotation on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday will allow the flex block to be attached to each block once per week.

School 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.

COVID Update and Health and Safety:

We are certainly trending in the right direction with the decrease in COVID cases. The guidelines for schools remain the same as we currently have under stage 2 of the K-12 Education Restart Plan. The plans and protocols for the community and individuals are not the same as for schools. I recognize that this might be confusing but schools will remain following the protocols that we have all year in our quest to keep students and staff safe while they are learning and working at Delview. We are hoping to open our doors in September 2021 in stage 1

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 a dedicated telephone line for the school COVID-related inquiries. **The number to call for advice regarding COVID-19 symptoms is 604-587-4769.** This number replaces 8-1-1 for COVID-related advice.

Collection Sample Kits in Schools:

Recently, 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.

Informing the School of COVID-Related Health Issues:

In the event that a family experiences testing protocols, or 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 604-946-4194 or email deltasecondary@deltasd.bc.ca

Grads:

On Wednesday, June 2nd Gr. 12 students and families received a reminder email containing information on this year commencement ceremony this Saturday. Please check your email and do not hesitate to contact the Delview office if you have any questions.

Students and a **max of 2** family members are asked to arrive at North Delta 5-10 minutes prior to your assigned time.

Congratulations to all of Delview's 2021 Graduates!

Summer Learning in the Classroom is Back: (Summer School)

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

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

Delta Vision 2030

Delta School District is embarking on an exciting journey to develop its vision for 2030. The Visioning process will provide much needed positivity and collaboration, and act as our guiding 'North Star' as we support Delta's students present and future.

We hope to get as many voices as possible in the conversation about how we will shape our future together. There are a number of ways you can consider adding your voice:

1. Parents - Participate in our parent survey
<https://wsurveys.com/DeltaVision2030Parent/>
2. Students - Participate in our student survey
<https://wsurveys.com/DeltaVision2030Student/>
3. Everyone - Post on the Kudoboard
<https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/XxehA2pf>
4. Everyone - Send us an email with your thoughts to ctucker@deltaschools.ca

The deadline for participating in the surveys, posting on the Kudoboard or emailing your thoughts is **Tuesday, June 15**.

Upcoming Events:

June 5	Grad Commencement (GradsBC Event)
June 23	Last Day of Quarter 4 In-person Instruction
June 24/25	Transition/"I-Day" (no classes in-session)
June 29	Quarter 4 Final Report Cards on MyED/Connect

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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