



April 27, 2020

Dear NCDSB Community,

As you may already be aware, the Minister of Education has announced an extension to the ordered school closure until May 31, 2020. This means that our schools remain closed, but we continue with our distance learning strategy for students.

We ask that you continue to expect and encourage your child to stay engaged in learning during this time away from regular school. It is critical that they log on to the virtual learning platforms and stay connected to their teachers and classmates. All students must actively engage in every opportunity they can to achieve the expectations of the Ontario Curriculum and achieve the best possible outcomes. This may look different for each of our students, but it is so very important that they stay committed to learning. If you or your child have questions, then please contact the teacher or the school principal. Our school staff are ready and available to assist you.

We know that this way of life has presented all of us with unexpected challenges. Thank you for everything that you are doing to ensure your family's safety and well-being, while managing a wide range of issues. These are tough times, but we are making progress day by day. We remain optimistic that we will emerge from this crisis with vitality, determination, and renewed sense of purpose. Thank you for staying committed to our mission of learning together, striving for excellence, and being in service to God and each other.

Stay home, stay well, and continue to take good care of each other.

Sincerely,

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Director of Education