



School District No.59 (Peace River South)

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Teachers and students have been engaged in re-shaping learning over the last couple of weeks. There are many innovative solutions happening as we navigate this new type of education. Students and teachers are being creative in the way they present learning. Work, either on-line or in paper form is now on its way back to teachers who will engage in assessment and further planning.

I wanted to take this time to talk about what you can expect regarding assessment and report cards as these last few months progress. It is important to know that what your children are doing now has value and will be considered in the final grades at the end of the year.

Report cards for students in the primary grades will be much the same with teachers using different ways of assessing learning.

Students in Grade 4 to Grade 9 will be receiving, at minimum, a final letter grade for Language Arts/English, Math, Science and Social Studies. There may be anecdotal or letter grades for other areas of learning like PE, Art, French etc. Third or fourth term marks will be primarily through anecdotal comments.

Students in Grades 10-11 will receive final grades for courses in second semester and will receive at a minimum, anecdotal comments for third term. Grade 12's will receive third term marks as post-secondary institutions still require them for early admissions. Students who are on track to graduate need to complete sufficient requirements for the courses in which they are registered in order to complete requirements for graduation.

There will be further information from each school to explain assessment and reporting in more detail for this term and year.

If you have any questions or concerns about work that is coming home, please make sure that you connect with your teacher or Principal at your school. It is a challenge to deliver education differently and open communication is important.

I thank you once again for working together with teachers and principals in helping students to participate in and complete learning for this year.

Regards,

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