Message to Secondary Families RE Remote Learning and Returning Textbooks and Other Materials

January 28, 2021

Subject Line: Update on Remote Learning and Returning School Materials

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On behalf of the entire team at Eastdale C.V.I., we hope that your children are doing well in these unusual times as we continue to do our best to engage them, with a focus on well-being and positive relationships. In today's message, we have some updates and information to share with you:

- 1. Remote Learning Continues in Durham Region
- 2. Information on Returning Textbooks and Other Materials

Remote Learning Continues in Durham Region

Earlier today, the Ministry of Education announced that more school boards in Ontario will be returning to inperson learning. However, Durham Region was not included as part of this announcement and students at our school board will continue to learn remotely at home until further notice. We anticipate that the earliest students could return to school is February 11, 2021, but this is subject to change

To help provide context, the decision on when students can return to in-person learning is made by the Ministry of Education on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, and in consultation with the local Medical Officers of Health. They make this decision based on the most recent public health data they have in order to determine when it is safe for all students to return to in-person learning.

Once we receive more information from the Ministry on when students can return to in-person learning, we will be sharing that news with you and look forward to welcoming your child(ren) back to school.

Should you have any concerns or questions about your child (ren)'s participation in remote learning, we ask that you please contact the classroom teacher or the school administration team if we can be of any assistance.

Information on Returning Textbooks and Other Materials

Due to the current stay-at-home order, we are asking that you keep any school issued textbooks and borrowed materials at home until further notice. Once the date that students will be able to return to in-person learning is confirmed, we will communicate with you on how to safely return any textbooks and borrowed materials that you may have. However, we may be in touch sooner with individual students to support technology needs and/or any students who may be graduating following the end of Quadmester 2.

Thank you once again for your patience and understanding as we navigate the COVID-19 pandemic together and the resulting changes. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to be in touch with our school team.

Sincerely,

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