



Update: E-Learning and Continuity of Instruction

April 6

1. How will my child access the eLearning opportunities?

From March 30 – April 3, teachers began to reach out to students to confirm contact information, access to technology, etc. Students should make sure that they are monitoring their emails (especially if they have multiple email accounts), to ensure that they are receiving communication from their teachers. Teachers will spend the first couple of weeks of April planning, organizing, and setting up the necessary technology and programs to be able to continue to deliver instruction in this new format.

2. My child hasn't seen any emails from his/her teacher yet. What should they do?

Students should be checking their "sd62learns" email account, in addition to any other email account they have. Students should also check their "Junk/Spam" folder in their email, in case messages are ending up there. If they still have not received any emails from their teachers, they can email our Program Vice Principal, Ms. O'Quinn (aoquinn@sd62.bc.ca).

3. When will the eLearning programming begin?

The Ministry of Education has communicated that instruction should begin no later than mid-April. Some teachers may be set up to begin to deliver content for their course sooner than that.

4. How many hours will my child be expected to participate in the eLearning, per week?

Teachers are expected to provide the following amount of learning opportunities for their students:

- Elementary school students (K-Grade 5): 5 hours per week
- Middle school students (Grade 6-8): 6-7 hours per week
- Secondary school students (Grade 9-12): 2-3 hours per course per week

One of the principles guiding the approach to education in response to COVID-19 is providing continuity of educational opportunities (instruction) for all students. In order to achieve this, students will be supported with a variety of opportunities such as video posts, work assignments, inquiries and investigations. These learning opportunities will enable students to further develop the competencies and understandings outlined in the BC curriculum despite circumstances that have interrupted usual school attendance and in person learning. These learning opportunities should all fit within the recommended timeframe above.

5. Does my child have to participate in the eLearning in order to receive a final report card?

The Ministry of Education in British Columbia has indicated that students are expected to continue their learning for each course that they are enrolled in, and it is our hope that all of our international students will choose to continue with their courses in this new format. Students who choose not to participate in the eLearning should understand that this decision may impact the grade that they will receive on their April mid-term report card, and their final report card in June.

6. Where can I find up-to-date information from the school district?

Updates from the school district will be posted regularly to the school district website: www.sd62.bc.ca.