



Vernon School District
International Student Program

April 3rd, 2020

Dear Students and Families of the Vernon International Student Program,

First of all, I want to extend a huge thank you to all of our students and your families, both in Vernon and in your home countries, for your patience and understanding during this very difficult time of uncertainty.

I am writing to give our students and their families a general outline as to what to expect next week from your teachers. Each subject teacher will be providing new learning opportunities for their students, starting between April 6th and 10th, 2020. Our focus is to start slowly. This will allow our students to find a study routine that is manageable for them, either in their Canadian homestays or in their home countries. We do not want to add additional stress to our students or your families at this time; rather we want to provide the opportunity to continue learning.

Students, please check your email every day for specific plans from your teachers. Make sure you also check your SD22Learns email and your Google Classroom account. If you don't know how to do this, please email your ELL/International teacher directly. If you do not have your teachers email address already, please email our office at international@sd22.bc.ca and we will make sure you get in contact with your teacher. If you are struggling with your work or need extra support, contact your ELL/International teacher immediately. Students will be expected to check in weekly with their ELL/International teachers to help us stay current with your progress and address challenges quickly.

Although we cannot continue in-class instruction due to the COVID-19 pandemic at this time, we hope that the online learning opportunities will be productive and manageable for your unique situations. More information regarding grades and final marks will be sent next week.

Above all, please take care of yourselves. Our teachers will be providing learning opportunities but we also want to ensure that you are safe and healthy. The Vernon International Student Programs staff members are here to help and support each of our students as best we can during this unprecedented time.

Sincerely,

Tracy Godfrey
District Principal, Vernon International Student Programs

