



Bruce Middle School

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As we approach Spring Break, we want to provide an update on our Grade 7 & 8 blended learning status. **As we remain in pandemic level Restricted (Orange), we will be continuing the blended learning model until April 30, 2021.** As our community begins to relax restrictions, we want to ensure that we are able to leverage as much in-class learning time as possible. Due to the recently updated [self-isolation guidelines](#) in which an *entire household of a close contact must self-isolate* for up to 14 days, we want to ensure that we are able to achieve 2 m distance for all students in the classroom environment. At the end of April, which represents two COVID incubation periods beyond Spring Break, we are hopeful that all Grade 7 & 8 students will return to full attendance of in-class learning.

In the event that we continue to maintain 2 metre distancing beyond April, additional staff will be provided to schools to assist students on their at-home learning day. We will be looking at options for offering outdoor physical activities on school grounds for students who want to engage in additional activities on their at-home learning day.

Schools will be providing opportunities for some students to attend school on the at-home learning day should they require support or struggle with learning tasks. This opportunity is limited as there are student maximums in classrooms to account for 2 metre physical distancing. Schools will also be reaching out to families to address any learning concerns and will plan responsively with families to accommodate increased attendance at school if possible.

We are committed to providing safe, engaging, and meaningful learning experiences for students through the blended learning experience. Please contact the school with any questions.

Dan MacNeil
Principal