

A message from Division Office:

Guidelines from Alberta Education and Foothills School Division around the continuity of learning from home for High School.

Learning does look differently right now and adjusting to it takes some time, but know that your child's teacher and school administration are there to help. Based on school grade, subject and student needs, learning is accessible and flexible through on-line platforms (google classroom, moodle etc.) as well as through hard copy course packages if required. Instruction and support to students is available through email, phone calls, video, zoom, google meets. There is a focus on staying connected, collaborating and supporting student learning together.

Teachers have carefully evaluated and prioritized curricular outcomes and have designed learning plans, communicated out weekly to students and parents. Learning plans consist of instruction and support in facilitating learning, specific tasks and projects that are designed to be completed at home, resources required (digital and/or hard copy) and information on assessments, evaluation and reporting of student progress and achievement.

Please be reassured that assistance and supports are available to your child to ensure that they can successfully complete courses. We would encourage you to be in direct and frequent contact with child's teacher to ask questions about your child's progress and achievement, address challenges and identify needed supports. Conversation with the teacher should include discussion about the following, as any of these elements might be affecting your child's success:

- Accessing learning
- Understanding outcomes
- Completion and handing in of learning tasks and assignments required to demonstrate depth of understanding
- Achievement on both formative (to provide feedback for the purpose of improving learning) and summative (for the purpose of evaluating and reporting achievement) assessments

Student Assessment

- Teachers are responsible for assessing student progress, reporting progress and assigning a final grade. This final grade could be a passing or a failing grade. Teachers assess student understanding of curricular outcomes through assignments and assessments to determine this grade. If your child is in high school they will need to successfully complete courses to earn credits towards high school completion and to advance to the next course.
- Parents will be kept informed of assessments
- Every student will receive a final grade and students who are on track to progress to the next level will do so
- Teachers will assess progress, to determine suitable final grades
- Students will receive final grades and report cards (learner profiles) appropriate to the grade level

We will be receiving more direction from Division Office as we get closer to the end of the year.

Please email me, if you have any questions of concerns.

Be well, Stay healthy, and We miss our CIM Cougar Family.

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