



ANGLOPHONE NORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Good Afternoon, ASD-N High School Families.

Semester Two of this school year is right around the corner, and it is the perfect time for a new start! We want this to be a great semester for our students, and we are here to support their success in every way we can.

Since September, teachers have been using a mix of different teaching styles to connect with students in this Blended Learning Model. This includes a combination of live meetings, teaching to all students at the same time, as well as group work and independent learning at the student's own pace. Our teachers and students have done an amazing job embracing new techniques and finding a formula that works for each class. The progress that has been made in a very short time is incredible!

One thing that has been proven to be critical in the success for our students is daily contact with their teachers. Because of this, you may notice some new practices as we move into the second semester. For Semester Two, teachers will be checking in live with all students every class. Whether students are in school or online, they will be connecting and engaging with their teacher and class, and following the same schedule they would for each in-school day. This will allow new learning to take place each school day.

Attendance will be taken for each period, for both in-school and online students. Regular attendance for all classes is expected.

We need your help, to help teachers meet these expectations. **Students, with the support of their families, are expected to:**

- Be available and report to each class in their schedule, on a daily basis (both in school and online). Working during school hours is not an acceptable excuse. As indicated in the *Return to School: Direction for School Districts and Schools* document on Page 6, "The Education Act continues to apply and, as a result, it is still prohibited to hire students during school hours".
- If possible, find a private, quiet area to participate online. Out of respect for the teacher and other students, other individuals or members of the household are asked not to participate in, or in any way disrupt the class. If possible, students are encouraged to wear headphones when participating online.

We are assuming that everyone now has connectivity and devices going into Semester Two. If there are any homes where this is not the case, please contact your school.

Helplines for Computer Issues:

Students whose laptops are provided by the school's learning support services (due to learning difficulties, reading difficulties, etc.) and for medical reasons, please direct calls to **Neil Squire Call Centre: 1-855-450-3287** for issues related to Office 365 Pro Plus, Microsoft Teams, or OneDrive.

For all other students who own a computer used for distance learning, direct calls to the **Bell Call Centre: 1-833-453-1140** for questions related to Office 365 Pro Plus (home connection and installation), Microsoft Teams, OneDrive, PowerSchool, Desire 2 Learn (D2L), and Wi-Fi. After February 26, 2021, please call **1-888-636-3131**.

For any operating problems related to student computers purchased through the special rates, through the school (IMP Solutions), please call IMP Solutions: **1-800-387-5757** or visit this [site](#).

Families with a Grade 9-12 student may still apply for a **student laptop subsidy**. Please go to [this page](#) to see the latest information on the process. If the students' families need assistance, please call **1-833-901-1963**, or reach out by email at EECDRTS-EDPERAE@gnb.ca.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a great semester ahead!

Sincerely,



Mark Donovan
Superintendent
Anglophone North School District