

June 27, 2014

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Subject: Grade 8 to 12 Final Reporting

The ongoing labour dispute has seriously impacted our ability to provide final reports for students this school year. Without the availability of teachers to assess, evaluate, and report student learning, we are unable to provide final reports in the usual format. We regret the challenge this presents for our students, parents, teachers, and administrators, and sincerely thank you for your patience and understanding.

Our primary focus for final reporting is to meet the Graduation Requirements for our senior students (Grades 10 through 12). We are fulfilling the requirements of the Essential Services Order that was issued by the Labour Relations Board (LRB) on June 20, 2014. Provincial examinations have now been completed and marking is currently in process.

Grades 10, 11 and 12 Final Reports

As required by the LRB's Essential Services Order, final marks and reports will be generated for students in Grades 10, 11, and 12. These reports will include marks only as teacher comments are not available.

We acknowledge that student reporting information may be incomplete and that marks may be missing or left blank. In some instances, a report may include 'NM' where a letter grade, or percentage, would normally be provided. Corrections or additions to this reporting information will not be possible until schools are back in session and teachers are available.

Schools are now preparing reports for Grades 10, 11 and 12 students for distribution to parents next week, either by mail, or through pick up arrangements at the school. Each of our schools will communicate with parents regarding the arrangements for distribution of the Grades 10, 11, and 12 final reports.

June examination results will be released by the BC Ministry of Education on July 30, 2014. The results can be viewed on the <u>Student Secure Web (SSW)</u>. Student PEN numbers (provided on all prior student reports) are needed for access to the site. An official Transcript of Grades will be mailed to all Grade 12 students from the Ministry of Education at the end of July. For more information please refer to the <u>June 2014 Provincial Exam Bulletin</u>.

Grades 8 and 9 Final Reports

We are unable to generate reports for Grades 8 and 9 students at this time. All Grades 8 and 9 students will advance to the next grade and course levels. Where necessary, adjustments to grade and course levels will be made when school resumes.

Student assessment, evaluation, and reporting by teachers throughout the 2013/14 school year will be retained in our student information and reporting systems. Teachers will have the opportunity to address any student progress concerns with parents when schools are back in session.

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We will continue to provide you with any updates through our <u>school district website</u> and communicate any further developments directly to you through the *SchoolConnects* messaging system.

Sincerely,

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