

ÉCOLE SECONDAIRE ARGYLE SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Friday, September 18th, 2020

Hello Argyle Families,

Thank-you to our students who did a fantastic job this first week with learning new routines, wearing their masks, and trying to maintain physical distancing outside of cohorts. Thank you to all our parents because we know the success this week had a lot to do with your guidance at home. Home and school needs to continue to work together this year to help keep everyone safe and healthy.

Below are several updates for families:

Flex Time

- Each morning begins with Flex Time from 8:30am to 9:30am. This time is divided into two components: Teacher Prep Time (200 minutes weekly) and Student Tutorial time (100 minutes weekly). Teachers will be scheduling and posting their tutorial times on their door(s), and in your child's Microsoft Team class. If your child does not know when their tutorial time(s) are they must ask their teacher directly.
- Tutorial times are optional. Students are encouraged to attend tutorials if they need additional support. Students may drop-in or make appointments with their teacher on MS Teams.
- Additional Flex Time tutorial support will be provided to all students via our Education Assistants in the cafeteria learning space from 8:30am-9:30am daily.
- As students in tutorial times may be from different learning cohorts they must wear a mask and maintain physical distancing.

Arriving at School

Please remind your child(ren) that while they are traveling to and from school they should maintain physical distancing and wear a mask while interacting with people outside of their learning cohort or household.

Upon arriving at school students should <u>not</u> congregate outside. They should put their mask on, enter through their designated entrance, wash their hands, and go to their class.

We ask that students do not arrive more than 20 minutes before the start of class unless they are receiving additional support in a tutorial or in learning services.

We all need to do our part and ask for your support in re-emphasizing the need for Provincially mandated physical distancing, hand hygiene, and masks with your child.

Daily Health Check Reminder

Parents are reminded of their responsibility to complete the daily health check with their child(ren). Students who have symptoms of COVID-19, or any other illness, MUST stay home. The NVSD Daily Health Checklist is posted <u>HERE</u>. This is a personal review of the signs and symptoms of COVID-19. It is not necessary to submit this checklist to Argyle. **The Daily Health Check is now available in additional languages (see bottom of webpage for links)**

Parents/guardians need to complete a one-time acknowledgement of their understanding of their responsibility to do a daily health check of their children. This acknowledgement is posted in the KEV online forms on School Cash Online.

School Start-up Forms

Thank-you to all families who have completed the online school start-up forms. We ask that all families login to check and ensure all forms are completed as some were added after start-up. We are still missing several hundred forms.

These forms include:

- 1. Personal Informed Consent Parent Consent
- 2. Personal Informed Consent Student Consent
- 3. Impromptu Walking Fieldtrip Form (e.g. to local parks)
- 4. Student Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement
- 5. Daily Health Check Acknowledgment

While the forms are on School Cash Online there is no purchase made; it is simply a platform where the forms are located. If you have any difficultly completing the forms please contact us at argyle@sd44.ca or call the school office at 604-903-3300.

School Cash Online: https://sd44.schoolcashonline.com/

MyEd Parent Portal & Student Demographic Details

We anticipate the MyEd Parent Portal will be opened on Monday, September 21st. We will email parents when it reopens and you can access your information. We will be asking parents to review your child's demographic information (emails, addresses, phone #s, emergency contacts, etc.) on your Parent Portal account. Student information verification forms will not be printed and sent home.

Parents/guardians, please contact <u>argyle@sd44.ca</u> with all updates. This is vitally important for all students as our main form of communication is email.

Grade 8 Families must review and update their demographics as students have moved schools and we need to ensure we have accurate data.

New Students – a blank form is available under the parent tab on the school website. Please fill in this form and send it back to the school as soon as possible so we can enter your information.

Please inform the Argyle Office when your contact information changes throughout the year.

Student Access to their School District Email

All North Vancouver School District Students have a SD44.ca email. This email address is secure, safe and connected to their Office 365 account and student "H" Drive. A guide on how students can access their email has been posted here.

Grade 12 Parent Night

We will be posting a narrated slideshow by the evening of Wednesday, September 23rd, the original date of our parent evening. We will not be hosting an in-person evening due to the current restrictions on visitors to the school and large gatherings. The slide show can be viewed at any time and will stay on the website for the year.

Thank-you for your patience and your feedback as we navigated this first full week of school.

Sincerely,

Kim Jonat, Principal (gr. 12)

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Caren Hall, Vice Principal (gr. 9 & 11)

John Crowley, Vice Principal (gr. 8 & 10)