

Update on Mid-Term Reporting and Progress Communications

Wednesday, October 7, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This school year has brought many changes with enhanced health and safety protocols, as well as teaching and learning in the classroom. I am writing to update you on recent directions relating to report cards in our new quadmester model. At Henry Street High School we want to ensure that parents/guardians have access to information on their children's progress in courses.

As we approach the middle of our first quadmester, a decision has been made to provide all students with a mid-term progress update to communicate learning and achievement that can be accessed via the Parent Portal. By Friday, October 16 parents/guardians will be able to access current grades via the Parent Portal that provides both an overall mark, as well as Learning Skills and Work Habits. No formal mid-term report card will be issued at this time. A Final Provincial Report Card will be issued during the week of November 23-27 following the end of the first quadmester.

Given current health guidelines we will not be holding traditional parent/guardian-teacher conferences as we have in the past. Instead, during the week of October 19-22 teachers will be available at different times to connect directly with parents to have conversations about student progress during the first quadmester. To request an interview with your child's teacher(s), please email the teacher(s) directly. Teacher contact information can be found on the school website:

<https://henrystreeths.ddsb.ca/Modules/contact/search.aspx?s=itoKNHQgWR0Hdexeqb5wqweQuAleQuAl#>

Teachers will then communicate directly with students and parents/guardians about the specific times and the format (i.e. phone, Google Meet, etc.) to have this conversation. We encourage parents/guardians to connect with teachers during the times that are sent to you. If the dates and times provided by your child's teacher cannot work with your schedule, please reach out to your child's teacher to arrange a convenient time for both of you to connect.

We hope that both the mid-term progress update as well as the opportunity to connect with your child's teacher during the middle of the quadmester will provide you with the necessary information to support your child and help to achieve their goals.

Sincerely,

Joyce Thomas
Principal
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