

Hello Families of ASD-W,

I hope all of you are keeping well during these continued historic times. It is hard to believe that we have been away from our schools for six weeks now. At ASD-W and within our schools, we continue to do our best to be of support to our students, families and one-another.

I have some information items to share with you.

Some NB post-secondary institutions have been collaborating with EECD officials to learn more about the circumstances for graduating high school students. Many of them have made some decisions taking into account the impact of the changes we are experiencing and how this will relate to graduating students entering post-secondary education next fall. The enclosed document outlines a summary of expectations and other post-secondary related news, complete with links to their websites.

[Post-Secondary Information for Grade 12 April 2020.pdf](#)

We are at the stage where schools across the province are going to allow students to visit their schools to retrieve personal items. A Director Team from ASD-W is working with Principals to establish plans that respect the parameters of the current State of Emergency and safe practices when visiting a location outside your home. The planning will occur this week with the hopes that a short student visit can occur at a determined time next week. Families should watch for word from their school administration on how things will work at your school. Cooperation from many will be required. Please note...this will be an optional opportunity and students will not be required to visit the school if families prefer they don't.

Enclosed you will find the latest document in the wellness series organized by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. "Learning Through Outside Play" is the theme.

[LearningThroughOutsidePlay.pdf](#)

There will be 2-3 Public District Education Council (DEC) Meetings in an online format prior to the end of the school year. Information on how to access the DEC meeting for your viewing, should you wish, will be shared as we approach the dates. May 7 and May 21 have been tentatively set aside at this time...6:30PM for each evening.

Be sure to keep up with the latest news and learning opportunities on our district website (ASD-W.nbed.nb.ca) under the "COVID-19 Coronavirus Information" tab.

All the best to our students and their families!

Sincerely,

David McTimoney, Superintendent