



# Bluewater District School Board

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As outlined in my [letter to families of April 12](#), all Bluewater District School Board schools will move to remote learning the week of April 19, 2021. Below is some information on our remote learning start-up.

## **Elementary Schools**

Elementary teachers will reach out to their students to connect and ensure they have what is required to move to remote learning on Monday, April 19. Asynchronous activities will be available to students who are able to access their virtual classroom on Monday. Synchronous (live face-to-face virtual) learning will begin for all elementary students on Tuesday, April 20.

## **Secondary Schools**

For students who have an exam or final assignment scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, teachers will be in touch on Monday, April 19 to advise if there is any change to the exam or final assignment format. Quadmester 4 will begin on Wednesday, April 21 as scheduled. Students should check their school email for communication from their teachers.

The Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) cannot be completed remotely, and therefore will be deferred at this time.

## **Secondary Materials**

Schools will use Monday and/or Tuesday to collect quadmester 3 materials in a manner that meets COVID-19 protocols. Schools will communicate the schedule and protocols that need to be followed. Materials required for quadmester 4 courses will also be scheduled to be picked up if required.

## **Technology Distribution**

If students require the loan of a device or a MiFi internet stick to support their learning, schools will be in touch regarding the distribution process on Monday, April 19. The process will be similar to that used in January when we moved to remote learning. Parents/guardians will be required to sign a loan agreement for any devices they receive on loan.

## **Students with Intensive Special Education Needs**

Students with intensive special education needs who are unable to participate in remote learning may attend school in person. Teachers and/or administrators will reach out to families on Monday, April 19 to discuss scheduling. Please note that transportation requires a minimum of three days to coordinate. However, if parents can provide transportation, programming may begin as early as Tuesday, April 20.

Thank you for your continued support during this time. School staff will be available to answer any questions you have on Monday, April 19.

Sincerely,

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