



Owen Sound District Secondary School

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your perseverance over the last three weeks. Changing learning modes is never easy, but student learning did occur as a result of your support of students and staff working together in this new on-line world.

As we move back to in person learning new/renewed protocols/expectations supported by Public Health will be in place to prevent further spread of COVID-19. These include:

- the expectation that all students will have passed the updated online [screening tool](#) (or [paper version](#)) for students or the online [self-assessment tool](#)
- We have been asked to highlight the importance of students not congregating before school starts, at lunchtime, and returning directly home after school. We are asking parents to reinforce this message in the home prior to our return to face-to-face learning. By working together, we can keep students, staff, and families safe.
- If you have excused your child from study hall, your child should be going home to continue learning. If your child is dependent on the bus to get home, you are welcome to have your child participate in the study hall to help support the stay at home provincial order.
- Students must wear a mask at all times while in the school building and at all times when they are not physically distanced while outside the building and on school property.

Parents and Guardians are also reminded, that entrance to the school building for non-emergency reasons continues to be prohibited during this time. If parents need to pick up their child please call the school and we will endeavour to connect you with your child. As well, if an appointment is needed, please contact the school and arrangements will be made to make this happen either virtually or by another means.

I am very pleased that we are able to move back to in-person learning and your support to continue to make our school a safe and caring place is very much appreciated.

Take care,

Jeff Brookshaw
Principal
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