



GREATER FORT ERIE SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Friday, April 14, 2021

Dear GFESS Students and Families:

The Ministry of Education has notified us that schools will be closed for regular education in-person learning starting on Monday April 19.

We are moving to a model of Period 1, 2, 3, 4 rotating for the duration of online learning. Below are the online schedules for the next 2 weeks:

April 19 Period 1 online	April 20 Period 2 online	April 21 Period 3 online	April 22 Period 4 online	April 23 Period 1 online
April 26 Period 2 online	April 27 Period 3 online	April 28 Period 4 online	April 29 Period 1 online	April 30 Period 2 online

While schools remain physically closed, students will be participating in daily synchronous learning through Microsoft Teams or Google Classrooms. Starting on Monday, April 19th, it is very important that students log into their assigned class at the time **instructed by your teacher** to participate in your daily learning. Secondary schools will continue to follow the daily schedule posted with one course a day and teachers will provide synchronous and asynchronous learning opportunities for students. For our school, classes will run from 10:00 a.m. to 2:05 p.m.

Student Online Attendance

Students are required to participate daily for attendance to be recorded.

SSTC Programs

Here is our school's schedule for **in-person** SSTC programming. School will continue to run from 10:00 a.m. to 2:05 p.m. **Please contact the school by email Gina.Foy@dsbn.org if your student will NOT be participating in-person by Thursday at 4:00pm.**

April 19 Period 1 in-person	April 20 Period 2 in-person	April 21 Period 3 in-person	April 22 Period 4 in-person	April 23 Period 1 in-person
April 26 Period 2 in-person	April 27 Period 3 in-person	April 28 Period 4 in-person	April 29 Period 1 in-person	April 30 Period 2 in-person

Specialty programs

- Coop students in consultation with their teacher, parents and employer **may continue** attending their placements - more details to be shared by your co-op teacher
- Home Build students will not be participating in the Home Build and will receive directions from their teacher
- Dig IT students will be online and will receive directions from their teacher
- Niagara Link students will be online and will receive directions from their teacher
- Connecting to College programs will continue online as usual
- Alternative Education programs will transition to online learning and students will receive directions from their teacher
- eLearning courses continue as usual

Please feel free to reach out to your teachers if you have course-related questions **after** the spring break.

Mid-semester report cards will be sent through email to students on Friday, April 23rd.

As always, let me know if there is any way that I can assist you by emailing me at Fred.Louws@dsbn.org.

I hope your family has a safe, fun, and restful break.

Sincerely,



Fred Louws, Principal
Greater Fort Erie Secondary School