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### Information from PSD70

By now you've all had the chance to read the email sent out by PSD70 last night. Following a copy of this email, there is some information that relates specifically to Brookwood School we would like you to review.

Dear Parents & Guardians,

As many of you are aware, the Province of Alberta is taking aggressive measures to ensure the safety of all Albertans in the face of the current medical pandemic and the spread of COVID-19. The latest strategy outlined by Dr. Deena Hinshaw, Chief Medical Officer of Health is effective immediately; student attendance at schools is prohibited.

Teachers and other school staff will still be expected to work, either from home or at their workplace, to ensure these expectations are met and to support student learning.

Decisions are still to be made when it comes to student progression, final marks and advancement of grades. We do know that provincial assessments, such as provincial achievement tests will be cancelled as of this time. Diploma exams essential for post-secondary acceptance will continue.

Options for programming and supports for students will be determined in the very near future. At Parkland School Division, we are committed to working with families to support them through these unprecedented times.

We will be sharing more information as it becomes available and we encourage you to check the Parkland School Division website for the latest.

Shauna Boyce  
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## Brookwood School Information...

There are a few things that may be important as you try to understand what all this means for your children.

- We ask that you please **do not** send emails, texts or other communications to teachers at this time. They do not have any more information than what PSD70 is providing for parents and we haven't had a chance to consider our way forward yet...we await directives from Alberta Education & Parkland School Division. If you have sent an email, it may be some time before you receive a reply.
- The best source of information for all things SCHOOL, is the Parkland School Division website or the emails that they send out. If there are things that are specific to Brookwood School, we will ensure that we inform you as soon as possible.
- Please be patient with us, this is new for us to, we are moving ahead but it will take some time.

## Report Cards

Our teachers have prepared student **Report Cards** that were **available** online last **Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**. Report Cards afford the opportunity to share student progress in achieving the outcomes for their grade level. If you haven't had the opportunity to open the Report Card, please take a few minutes to review them.

## Message from Hot Lunch & Club Moo Coordinators

In response to the school closures as recommended by the Province of Alberta and the Chief Medical officers here is an update from the Hot lunch and Club Moo teams. At this time the Hot lunch and Club Moo teams are canceling on a week by week basis as we work with the school to find the best method to proceed. The missed lunches would be rebooked upon the schools reopening.

Thank you for your understanding.

## Online Registration/Verification for 2020-2021

**Online registration and verification for the 2020-2021 school year will open February 3!** This process must be completed for every student each school year. Please check your email beginning February 3, 2020 for a message from "PowerSchool Registration Support": <[noreply@noreply.psrsupport.com](mailto:noreply@noreply.psrsupport.com)> and follow the instructions in that email to complete the registration process.

**All parents and guardians are required to complete the registration process by 4:30pm on March 20, 2020.**

This deadline allows us to determine the eligibility of bus pass applicants, the routing of buses, bus pass production and data verification before the summer break while schools are still operating.

**Any applications received after the March 20 deadline may not be processed in time for the first day of school.**

Payment arrangements for bus passes must be received through Parkland School Division's online payment system (Rycor) or at the Parkland School Division Centre for Education on or before **Friday, June 26, 2020** for students to be eligible to ride the bus the first day of school. Remember: If your child does not have a valid bus pass for the 2020-2021 school year, they will not be able to ride the bus.

For more information, including the registration process for new students and a list of important registration dates and deadlines: **Please visit** [www.psd70.ab.ca/Registration.php](http://www.psd70.ab.ca/Registration.php).

Please be aware that **fees for busing may increase** for the 2020-2021 school year.

## Hand Washing from AHS

PSD70, from AHS, has provided us with a **handwashing posters** that has been put up in various locations around the school. The following poster is a great resource for teaching your children about effective handwashing techniques. The goal of course is to limit of the risk of being infected ourselves or passing on the infection to others.

It is recommended that students/children and adults should clean their hands:

- before leaving home and on arrival at school
- after using the toilet
- after breaks and sporting activities
- before food preparation
- before eating any food, including snacks
- after contact with saliva or nasal secretions
- before & after using shared materials such as arts and craft supplies
- before leaving school and upon on arrival at home

Respiratory etiquette in school/child care settings includes covering the mouth and nose during coughing or sneezing with a tissue or a flexed elbow and disposing of used tissues in a plastic-lined waste container, followed by hand hygiene.

