

HOLY TRINITY ACADEMY

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Dear Holy Trinity Academy Parents and Guardians,

We have received further direction from the Province of Alberta on continuity of student learning and education delivery. This comes after collaboration and discussion between stakeholders about the best ways to continue with teacher-directed learning under this unique new set of circumstances.

All HTA students will be provided with at-home learning through methods such as online programs, course packages, and telephone check-ins. Teachers will evaluate curricular outcomes that have not yet been covered in school, choose prioritized outcomes based on what is manageable at home, and plan specific tasks and projects based on those outcomes.

The breakdown of the amount of schoolwork students can be expected to receive is as follows:

- Kindergarten to Grade 6 will receive an average of 5 hours per student per week.
- Grades 7 to 9 will receive an average of 10 hours per student per week.
- Grades 10 to 12 will receive an average of 3 hours per course per week.

In all scenarios, teachers will work with students and parents on delivery of materials. The specific focus of educational content will also vary from grade to grade. Teachers will be responsible for evaluating their students, providing a report card, and assigning a final grade. Parents will be informed of how assessments will be performed when details of them have been finalized.

Schools will work to help high school students complete and receive a final mark and credits for their courses. Principals will have the ability to award credits to students who are unable to complete a course needed to progress to the next grade. Grade 12 students who are on track to graduate will also be able to do so. Principals will have the ability to award up to 15 credits to Grade 12 students who are unable to complete courses due to class cancellations.

Finally, all Grade 6 and 9 provincial achievement tests and Grade 12 diplomas have been cancelled. Under special circumstances, students may speak to their teacher and principal to submit a request to write a diploma exam.



Full details of the direction from Alberta Education, including specific outcomes for grade levels, as well as resources for parents can be found in the Government of Alberta's news release titled "Continuing Student Learning" at alberta.ca/news.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding during this incredibly challenging time,

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