

## **County Central High School**

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**Exceptional Education** 

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Dear parents & guardians,

During yesterday's provincial COVID-19 update, it was announced that all students in Grades 7-12 would transition to online learning for three weeks before the Christmas break, as well as for one week after the break. Online learning begins on Monday, November 30th. Teachers have been preparing our students for this scenario and we are ready to go.

During this time, students will follow the same schedule they would while at school: when they have a class on their schedule, they will log into the Google Meet for that class and will participate in lessons and learning activities virtually. Attendance will be taken, and cameras will be expected to be turned on so that students can fully engage with their teachers and their classmates. Our goal is to provide continuity of learning and to keep our students on track, and we ask for your support in maintaining our schedules and routines. Students will be given copies of their class schedules to take home on Friday, but if any parents or guardians would like a copy they can email the school to request it or they can view it in the parent portal.

Another announcement that was shared yesterday was that diploma exams are optional for the remainder of the school year - students and families can choose to write an exam or receive an exemption. Grade 10-12 classes will still have in-class final exams for Semester I courses in January; these exams will be set by each teacher and will be reflective of the outcomes students have achieved throughout the semester.

To help facilitate online learning, CCHS will once again be signing out Chromebooks to any families who require them. If you would like to request a Chromebook, please do the following:

1) Log into School Cash and sign the Chromebook Borrowing Agreement: <u>Link to School Cash</u>

2) Complete the attached request form: Google Request Form

We plan to send Chromebooks home with students on Friday, November 27th. We request that

Chromebooks will be returned to the school once we resume in-person learning in January.

Our Christmas break will begin on December 18th, and all students will have two weeks off.

Beginning on January 4th, students will have one more week of online learning before returning to

in-person classes on January 11th.

If any of our families are without internet access - or have intermittent access - I ask that you please

email me (<u>leanne.hellman@pallisersd.ab.ca</u>) and we will come up with a plan to support and

accommodate your students. More details will be shared with you over the next few days, so please

continue to check your emails regularly. If you have questions or need any assistance, I invite you to

contact school administration.

Sincerely,

Leanne Hellman