

AGRHS Parent Bulletin, January 2022

Welcome back! Despite the circumstances of the pandemic, I hope that each of our families was able to enjoy quality time together through the holidays. 2022 sees us continuing our navigation through the uncertainties of pandemic life - and I wish each of you the continued resilience and patience needed to forge forward.

<u>Covid 19</u>: Please refer to the <u>ETSB Parent Newsletter issued January 14, 2022</u> for the current information regarding Covid 19, case management for schools, and communication.

Important details to remember:

- As always even prior to the pandemic, students who are sick need to stay home.
- Students who become ill during the day will be sent home. It is expected and appreciated that they are picked up in a timely manner.
- Masks are required <u>at all times</u>. Given the length of time everyone has had to become accustomed to wearing masks, the school will be taking a zero tolerance approach to those who continue to disrespect public health protocols and not wearing their mask while at school.
- Students will continue to be issued a new box of masks to take home approximately every 10 weeks (50 per box 1 for each school day) so that they may have a clean mask to wear to school each morning (please reserve these for school use only). A fresh mask will continue to be issued during Block 3. The government has now indicated they will provide additional masks to allow greater flexibility in issuing an additional mask where needed (ie. after PE class where the mask becomes damp).
- Students are permitted to eat in their classroom only, with the exception of groups whose classrooms are not safe for eating (ie. science labs) who have been assigned specific tables by class in the cafeteria. Lunch is eaten in the Block 2 classroom while snacks are eaten in the Block 1 and Block 3 classrooms.
- Upon arrival at school, students are to go directly to their AB/Block 1 classroom after making a brief stop at their locker to secure their belongings & collect what is needed for their morning class.
- Water fountains are not in service, students should have a refillable bottle that they can fill from the bottle fillers (on the fountains).
- Extra-curricular activities are suspended pending further notice.
- Vending machines are removed from service pending further notice.
- Students should always be prepared for the possibility of online classes in the
 event of unavoidable "bris de service", or to access their google classrooms in
 the event they are unable to come to school. Chromebooks must always be in
 good working order, and issues need to be brought to the help desk promptly.
 The Chromebook should be brought back and forth between home and school
 daily.

<u>Student Activities Office</u>: Please note that Mr. Martel has left AGRHS to accept a new position outside of the school board. We are currently in the process of hiring a

replacement. In the meantime, if you wish to access funds from your child's fundraising account, please contact Ms. Rousseau in our school accounting office. On behalf of our our AGRHS school community, I wish to extend deep appreciation to Mr. Martel for his years of service and his dedication to the improvement of school life. I wish him great success in his future endeavors.

Scholarships & Awards: The Pandemic has impacted a number of operations and traditions. Included in this was the cancellation of our annual Awards Ceremony to recognize Scholarship and Award recipients from the 2020-2021 school year. I am pleased to share that we will be announcing these recipients shortly. While there will not be a ceremony, we will publish a document celebrating these accomplishments. Moving forward, AGRHS will recognize our scholarship and award winners at the end of each school year rather than the following fall. Application deadlines will be adjusted to correspond with this new timeline. Thus, we will recognize our 2021-2022 recipients as part of our end of year activities.

Report Cards & Parent-Teacher Interviews: Term 1 Report Cards will be available on the portal by the end of the day on February 7th. Our second Parent-Teacher interviews will take place online February 10th, following the same format as the November interviews. Links to the interview appointments will be issued by the end of January.

<u>2022 – 2023 STUDENT REGISTRATION DATES REMINDER</u>

Jan 10-21, 2022 Re-registration

Jan 24 - Feb 4, 2022 New registrations

The deadline for submitting applications to the Concentration Programs for the next school year has now ended. If you wish to apply but have not yet done so, it will be important to do so quickly as once groups reach capacity, we move to a waiting list. Priority is given to those who have met the deadline and meet the admission criteria. Additional information and application forms are available on the school website.

<u>Course Selection</u>: Course selection will take place in class with the support of Mme. Thibault, our school Guidance Counsellor. *Students must have re/registered in order to have access to course selection. **Everyone is reminded to take course selection very seriously as the school is organized with resources allocated based on the choices made.** Course changes are not accepted afterwards apart from exceptional circumstances where the teacher indicates a need.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

January 24: PD Day February 28 - March 6: March Break,

School Closed

February 11: PD Day

March 7: PD Day