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Assistant Superintendent



“Preparing Today’s Learner for Tomorrow”

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Dear Interlake School Division Families (**Grades 1-8**),

Our schools are currently adapting to align with provincial measures for the duration of the Restricted Level (Orange) within Manitoba’s [pandemic response system](#). Schools in ISD have proven to be safe spaces and we feel that the best place for students to learn is at school. We also understand some families have concerns about student well-being and may require flexible options during this time.

Full-time in-class learning will continue at all ISD schools for students in Grades 1-8 during the Restricted Level (Orange) time period. ISD is also prepared to offer temporary remote learning for the duration of the Restricted Level (Orange) for students in Grades 1-8 who presently attend our schools. We anticipate this **voluntary** and **temporary** option may support the needs of some families.

Please consider the following when thinking about whether temporary remote learning is right for your child(ren):

- Remote learning will be conducted online and students will participate full-time from home. ISD will provide access to student laptops as needed and families are responsible for internet connectivity. A print-based remote learning option will not be available.
- Each student will be assigned to a remote learning class which will include students and staff from schools throughout ISD depending on enrolment.
- Manitoba Education’s [Standards for Remote Learning](#) will guide the requirements for real-time online instruction (5-8 hours per week) and independent work (2-3 hours per day).
- Parents and/or Guardians will remain fully engaged in a supportive role for their child(ren).
- Students registered in temporary remote learning will remain in the remote learning option for the entire Restricted Level (Orange) time period and will return to in-class learning when ISD returns to Caution Level (Yellow).
- Programming will be delivered in English language only. French Immersion students are welcome to participate and will return to in-class French Immersion programming when ISD returns to Caution Level (Yellow).

If you feel that accessing a temporary remote learning option is best for your child(ren), please [click here](#) to express your interest by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, October 28. Expressions of interest will be reviewed and a finalized plan for temporary remote learning will be communicated to parents/guardians by Monday, November 2. Programming will begin in the week of November 2-6.

Thank you for your ongoing understanding, patience, and support. Questions about temporary remote learning for students in Grades 1-8 in ISD can be directed to: isd@isd21.mb.ca.

Sincerely,

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