

April 21, 2021

## RE: Short Term Operational Shift at Ecole Secondaire Notre Dame High School

Dear Parents and Guardians:

We are writing to inform you that as of Wednesday April 21, 2021, all students at Ecole Secondaire Notre Dame High School will be learning at home until April 30, 2021. Due to the number of students in quarantine, we recognized that we needed alternative learning to be put into place. Through numerous conversations with Alberta Education these past two days, we were granted a short term operational shift to online learning for Ecole Secondaire Notre Dame High School from April 21, 2021, to April 30, 2021 - returning to in person learning Monday, May 3, 2021.

We remind parents/guardians and staff to continue monitoring for any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 as part of their routine daily practice. The Alberta Health daily checklist can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

As a reminder, if you/your child has any of the symptoms of illness listed on the Alberta Health daily checklist, please fill out the online <u>Alberta Health Services COVID-19 self-assessment</u> or call Health Link at 811 and stay home/keep your child at home.

As we progress toward the end of this school year, we wanted to remind our school community of the importance of limiting social contact not only while at school, but also outside of school hours. We are closely watching the impact of COVID-19 cases in our province, we continue to need your help. Please speak to your children and remind them of the importance of being more diligent than ever. We are socially driven and are yearning for more regular social interactions however we are concerned that outside interactions could continue to negatively impact our daily school operations. We recognize that this has been a long haul, we are praying for 'normalcy' to return again, and we thank you for your diligence and support.

School staff will be in touch with families about at-home learning to ensure that our students are still receiving a quality Catholic education.

Thank you for your support and continued collective efforts in protecting our school community,

God bless,

Kathleen Finnigan, Superintendent of Schools

Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools