March 29, 2021 - Please send the note below to all DDSB@Home Secondary families

Subject Line: End of Year Graduation and Quadmester 4 Schedule Changes for Grade 12 Students

To Parents/Students/Families/Community Members,

Each year, we know that many of our school communities look forward to school traditions and especially graduation ceremonies. We are writing to share with you a change to the Quadmester 4 calendar to accommodate June commencements for our graduates with home schools hosting June Graduation Events.

We have attached a revised Quadmester 4 schedule that will apply for grade 12 classes only.

The last instructional day for all grade 12 students in grade 12 classes at DDSB@Home Secondary will be June 18th. This change in the schedule means that all Grade 12 courses in quad 4 will end on June 18, 2021. This schedule continues to provide opportunities for students to complete their course requirements and to participate in any required remedial opportunities. Teachers of grade 12 students in non-grade 12 classes will also work with individual students to ensure that any assessments are completed in time to allow for the completion of promotion meetings in preparation for graduation. Students in all other grades will continue to follow the existing schedule.

This change to the Quad 4 schedule for our Grade 12 students supports the participation of students from homeschools who are hosting June Commencement Events. At this early stage of planning for June commencements, we are not able to share specific information on the formats and dates. Students will be receiving information regarding graduation events directly from their homeschools. All information we receive at DDSB@Home Secondary regarding homeschool graduation events will be posted on our Grade 12 Guidance Google Classroom page. As we work together through this planning process please know that all DDSB homeschools will be required to follow the guidance of public health officials and will be ensuring that the health and safety of all participants are prioritized.

Thank you for your understanding and we look forward to sharing more details regarding DDSB June commencements as information becomes available. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions related to this change in the Quadmester 4 schedule at secondaryathome@ddsb.ca tel:905-862-5521.

Sincerely,
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