

Dear EIPS families,

Today was the first day of school cancellation, and both school staff and central office administrators were at work to discuss the many questions parents have about the current situation.

### **Retrieving belongings from school**

Over the course of the next few days, schools will be contacting their families directly regarding arrangements to come and collect items from lockers and cubbies. While the particulars might vary slightly from school to school, it remains important that you arrive only on the date and at the time indicated by the administration. Students, parents and members of the public do not have access to schools outside of those times. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us minimize the risk of infection, and keeping staff, students and families safe.

### **Continuing learning from home**

Our Supports for Students department is working on the best way to deliver lessons to students during the closure. While we are preparing to do so, we await direction from Alberta Education on how to get that content out to students and assess assignments remotely. Once we have a plan in place, schools will reach out to their families to share those details. We appreciate your patience as offering remote learning comes with a variety of challenges and it will take time to finalize our process.

### **Diploma Exams**

We are waiting for guidance from Alberta Education on how diploma exams may be administered for students in high school. Once a plan has been communicated to us, we will provide you with details so students can plan accordingly.

There remains a great deal of uncertainty in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic and we share your concern about the impacts on student learning. We will continue to keep you updated as information becomes available.

Sincerely,

Mark Ligouri,  
Superintendent