

# Bowden Grandview School

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Thank-you for another day of patience and compassion with your BGS staff as we mitigate these unpredictable days. These are truly unprecedented times, and we are doing our best to organize and plan for your child's learning to continue.

Today, here is what we know:

- 1) Alberta recently declared a public state of emergency which minimizes the number of people who can gather in one location simultaneously to under 50. To this effect, we have put in place a strict timeline for pickup of student materials. Please see below for your time of pick up with directions, and try to adhere to these times to the best of your ability.
- 2) We have sent each of you a Google Survey to complete today please. This survey will provide information regarding online access and online resources available to our students as we plan for continued learning. Please ensure you complete this survey as soon as possible.
- 3) Bags picked up tomorrow need to be carefully gone through. Any school materials/resources should be stored somewhere in your home as teachers may request students access these in the coming days.

We also know, we are in this together.

There may be some material teachers send home tomorrow when you pick up belongings, which will be accompanied with instructions for you and your child. We are providing this to you in efforts to move initial learning forward, but by no means do you need to feel you are now their teacher! We will be developing future ways to communicate with and teach your children, and we will do this with you as a support system for your child. **We will continue to be partners in your child's education.**

Some of your students already have access to GoogleClassroom through their school email accounts. They should be checking GoogleClassroom and their email regularly now. Parents will also receive invitations to join these classrooms soon. Some teachers are in the process of setting up an online platform for future learning and parents/students will be invited to these in time. Please check your email daily for updates and invitations.

Please see the next page for details surrounding student material pickup.

We hope you are doing well, please let your kids know we miss them and we will continue learning soon.

Mr. Jeff Thompson  
Principal

Mrs. Meaghan Reist  
Vice-Principal

## STUDENT MATERIAL PICKUP

Please come at your scheduled time, based on the first initial of the student/family's last name.

### Wednesday, March 18

A-B	2:00-2:10 pm
C-F	2:15-2:25 pm
G-H	2:30-2:40 pm
I-L	2:45-2:55 pm
M	3:00-3:10 pm
N-R	3:15-3:25 pm
S	3:30-3:40 pm
T-Z	3:45-3:55 pm

If you cannot make these times we need you to call our office to set up alternate arrangements for Thursday. We will do our best to accommodate you.

If you are currently under quarantine yourself due to travel or illness, or if you are experiencing flu-like symptoms, please send a representative on your behalf. We ask you please call the office prior to your pick up time to inform us of who will be here in your place.

We ask a parent and/or guardian to come to the school if possible, however we recognize that in some cases student pick up is necessary.

- 1) Parents/students are asked to enter by the front door, hand sanitize, and sign in. We have been asked to record all visitors to the school.
- 2) Please **bring all library books back** and place them in the designated location at the front entrance.
- 3) Your child's items have been bagged and are ready. For elementary parents, please check your child's boot room for any boots or shoes.
- 4) All lost and found items are placed on tables in front of the gymnasium doors for you to peruse on your way out.
- 5) The purpose is to retrieve personal belongings. Please limit the amount of conversations and interactions so we can ensure safe and timely pickup for families.