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April 3, 2020.

Good Evening Governor Simcoe Students.

It certainly has been a busy week for everyone in preparation for our formal start of online learning on Monday, April 6th.

Earlier this week, the Ministry of Education provided updates on the continuation of learning during the extended school closure period. They announced that schools would reopen for students on May 4th, depending on Public Health recommendations.

We hope that you have already been in contact with your teachers this week, whether it was through online classes, email or on the phone. Please check in with your online classes every day. You should also regularly check your DSBN email account, school website, DSBN website and social media for ongoing updates.

Teacher led learning will formally begin on Monday April 6th. You should be spending approximately 3 hours on assigned work for each of your courses per week. Your learning may include tasks, projects, culminating activities and these will be marked by your teachers for formative and summative evaluation.

DSBN has many supports in place to assist you with your learning:

DSBN Supports for Grade 9-12 Students

- DSBN Learn from Home resources to support your learning <https://dsbn.org/learn-from-home/secondary>
- DSBN ESL Homework Help will begin next week: *Monday to Friday 12:30pm - 3:30pm*
- To access DSBN Homework Help, go to 'My Courses' when you log into D2L

DSBN Homework Help for Grade 11 and 12 Students

- Our regular evening DSBN Homework Help for grades 11 & 12 math is up and running: *Sunday to Thursday 7:00pm - 10:00pm.*
- New starting next week, we will also be adding day time hours for grade 11 & 12 math and grade 11 and 12 science courses *Tuesday to Friday 10:00am - 3:30pm*
- To access DSBN grade 11 and 12 Homework Help, go to 'My Courses' when you log into D2L.

We want you to know that we will not be issuing progress report cards and that mid-semester report cards will be issued for graduates only. You will all receive a report card at the end of the semester. If you have questions about your progress in a class, please communicate with your teacher next week.

We wanted to let you know that we have started to distribute devices to students that need them, and families requesting Internet access will hear from an Internet provider next week.

If you have any questions, or require a device or Internet access, contact Mrs. Mancuso at cheryl.mancuso@dsbn.org or leave a message at the school at (905) 934-4006. Please share this messaging with other students, so that we make sure everyone is receiving these messages.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Mancuso, Principal