

THOROLD SECONDARY SCHOOL

...your community high school

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Dear Students and Families of Thorold Secondary School:

We are all looking forward to planning for a new school year.

Earlier this month the DSBN sent <u>information</u> to families about the return to school in September. I am pleased to provide some additional details about next year for you.

This fall, we are planning for a school schedule that will be semestered with 2 classes per day. For example, instead of having 4 courses a day, you would have your period 1 and 2 classes on one day, and period 3 and 4 classes on a different day. The school day will return to our regular school hours of 8:25 am to 2:20 pm and will include ample time for lunch. Our school cafeteria will be open as well.

Students learning remotely will be enrolled in a system program, taught by teachers who are not at our school. Additionally, students participating in remote online learning are required to commit to this system program for the full semester.

We are excited that once again, extracurriculars will be available to students in the fall. These will include clubs, activities, and athletics. Extracurriculars will be planned according to Ministry of Education and Niagara Region Public Health guidelines. Only students learning in-person will be eligible to participate in school-based extracurriculars, clubs and teams.

I will be contacting you again in June to share more details about the 2021/2022 school year and to ask for your input about your student(s) plans for school in September.

Until then, I wanted to let you know that students aged 12 and up can now book an appointment to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. The following <u>website</u> and <u>Child and Youth Covid-19 Vaccination</u> Fact Sheet provide more details.

Thank you for your support in this past school year.

Sincerely,

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