NVSS NEWS for JUNE

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Hello Viking Nation,

This has been a year that truly cannot be described in mere words. We have heard the word unprecedented time and again in the past 3 months. Although there are definitely pieces that we can never get back, there has been some amazing acts of community and empathy within our school and community. In my mind GRAD 2020 truly epitomizes our year.



Scheduled School Start Date September 8, 2020

Facing disappointment and loss, the parents and community came together to help the students and graduate celebrate. Friday night was amazing as Vanderhoof truly stepped up and told the Class of 2020 how much they are cared for. On the day of graduation, to have viewers from across the world watching was amazing as we live streamed. Reading their comments to the students was so uplifting – it brought a great closure to a very challenging year for all involved. I think it was so impressive and a weekend that the students will certainly never forget! This year has brought many lessons about how important community truly is.

Moving forward we have recently hosted all the grade 6 students for some virtual welcome tours – we look forward to their arrival in September to MYNVSS! We look forward to the energy and excitement that they will bring to our school.

We do have some staff changes to tell you about. Mrs. Nicole Lance will be leaving her LifeSkills assignment and heading upstairs to teach Grade 7 next year. Ms. Bry Materi will be moving to FLESS to teach Foods and PE – we will miss her here at NVSS. Mr. Jose Han will be leaving our Grade 7 class as Ms. Amber Beyore returns from her leave back to her Grade 7 class. Ms. Mercedes Ducharme will be moving into a Grade 8 position in the MYNVSS space as well and we look forward to working with her. Ms. Shaylene Marks is leaving us to return to her former District in Edmonton and Ms. Pamela Hutchins is heading up the hill to teach at EDES. We wish them the very best and truly hope to have a chance to work with them in the future.

We would like to thank you for all of your caring support this year at Viking Nation. We have a tremendous PAC and we know that parental support is so important in ensuring we have a successful year. We look forward to seeing all of you in 2020-21. We do not know exactly what awaits us in the new school year, but we do know that we are even better prepared to meet the challenges that may be placed before us in the future.

On behalf of everyone here at Viking Nation, I wish you all a marvelous and relaxing summer full of adventures! Please stay safe and enjoy your time outside and recharging as much as possible.

Ken Young Principal

Student Bills & Text/Library Books

The NVSS office is open until July 3rd for textbook/library book returns and payment of student bills. If there is an item on your child's student bill that you need to discuss please contact Lorraine Horita in the NVSS office before that date. We need our textbooks returned in order to have enough for school start-up in September so please bring them in.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed after Friday July 3 and will open again on Monday, August 31. Our counsellors, Glenda Vahi (gr. 11-12) and Erin Baker (gr. 9-10) will be in their offices from Monday, August 31 to Friday September 4 and will be available to see students and parents by appointment. Please call the school on or after August 27 at 250-567-2291 to book an appointment. New registrations will be accepted that week as well.

ENCLOSED WITH THIS NEWSLETTER....

- 1. Report Cards and attachments for all students.
- **2.** Student bills Please contact Mrs. Horita in the office to pay these bills All cheques must be made payable to SD91.
- 3. Northern Health's Immunizations for school-age children in the context of COVID-19

If you wish to purchase your child's school supplies through School Start, you can place your order online at www.schoolstart.ca. There are starter packages available for Grades 7 and 8 as well as general supplies for all grades. NVSS is eligible to receive \$5/kit back for each one that you order. Late orders will be accepted online (a \$5 late fee will be applied after the

August long weekend). The supplies will be packaged

and delivered directly to your house.

Teachers will advise students of any other materials that may be needed for specific classes.



50 pencils 20 black and blue pens
Pencil crayons Scientific calculator

Multi-subject binder with dividers 2 highlighters

1 ruler (inches/cm) – 12"/30 cm Gym shoes (non-marking) 2 white erasers 2 large glue sticks

1 memory stick 4 coil bound notebooks

1 box Kleenex (classroom supply)
Gym strip
1 pack of lined paper
6 duotangs

School Supplies for Grade 8

4 coil-bound notebooks

50 pencils 20 black and blue pens
Pencil crayons Scientific calculator

Multi-subject binder with dividers 2 highlighters 1 ruler (inches/cm) – 12"/30 cm Gym shoes (non-marking)

2 white erasers 2 large glue sticks

1 memory stick 4 coil bound notebooks

1 box Kleenex (classroom supply)

Gym strip

1 pack of lined paper 6 duotangs 4 coil-bound notebooks

School Supplies for Grades 9-12

Zippered binder with dividers loose leaf paper

Pencil case that can be snapped into binder pencils

Pens (not gel pens) pencil crayons

Ruler math set/scientific calculator

Erasers

Results from this June's Graduation Numeracy Assessment will be available in mid-August. To access results, visit the Ministry of Education's *Order Transcripts and Certificates* website at www.StudentTranscripts.gov.bc.ca and follow the instructions found there.

Register for a BCeID (a BC Government account that provides you with access to B.C. Government online services)

- Register for the Student Transcript Service using your BCeID
- 2. Log in to your Student Transcripts Service using your BCeID.