

L'École Secondaire Oak Bay High

OBH Families,

As you will likely have heard through the media and communication from our School District, the K-12 education system is moving from Phase 4 to Phase 3 on June 1st. This move represents a significant milestone in the pandemic response, as schools will be in a position to welcome back students and staff for in-person instruction and support. During Phase 3, a number of restrictions will be in place, including robust health and safety protocols and limits on the percentage of students able to be in the building at one time. In-person attendance at the school during this time is voluntary.

This new phase works well with Oak Bay High's year-end plans. You'll remember, teachers will not be releasing any "new work" after Friday, May 29th. Between June 1st and 12th, students and staff will be engaged in "curriculum completion". We recognize both the benefits and challenges our linear timetable has presented during the period of Remote Learning. Students had the benefit of having been 75% of the way through their courses when in-class instruction was suspended on March 18th. However, they have had the challenge of maintaining 8 (+/-) courses remotely. June 1st-12th has been intentionally reserved to provide students the opportunity to complete any outstanding work, ahead of the finalization of year-end grades. We know this will be a very valuable time for many students, including those that may have struggled with the pace or volume of work required of them.

Given the need for some students to engage in curriculum completion, and the new opportunities for in-class instruction, OBH will be offering 3 options for students during June.

Option #1- Teachers will be holding "office hours" each week, during which students will be able to work face-to-face in the building with their teacher. Teachers will be reaching out to students regarding this opportunity and will be scheduling students as needed.

Option #2- The school will also be offering spaces within the building each day where students can work and receive support from teachers and support staff. These spaces are a great supplement to teacher's office hours, for those students requiring increased time and support. Subject specialist teachers will be available in these spaces.

Option #3- Teachers and support staff will be continuing to support students remotely. Students requiring support with curriculum completion tasks may choose to receive those supports remotely.

We have been extremely impressed and proud of our learning community, for the way in which everyone has responded to the suspension of in-class instruction. We trust that the systems in place through the end of the school year will help ensure a successful completion to what has been a unique and challenging Spring for everyone.

Please help us prepare for June by completing the short survey linked below. We request that each family complete this survey by Tuesday, May 26th

OBH- Instructional Options for June Survey

Sincerely, Oak Bay High Administration