



CAMPBELL RIVER

School District 72

April 17, 2020

Dear Grade 12 students and families,

While all students and families have been on my mind during this difficult time, I have particularly wanted to reach out to you – our grade 12 students and families. I hope that you are doing well and that you, your family and friends are staying safe and healthy.

I know that when you pictured your last year of secondary school, none of this was part of that picture. We all share your disappointment and sadness and remain hopeful that perhaps you may be able to safely return to your schools before the end of June.

You no doubt have a lot of questions and feelings of uncertainty around what this all means for graduation, post-secondary or whatever your plans may include. While there are still unknowns, what I can assure you is that all students who were on the path to graduate before spring break are still on that path and will graduate. If you are concerned about your status, please connect with your teacher(s), counsellor or principal.

Know that all the supports that you had in school are still available to you now. Your teachers are working hard to ensure that you develop the competencies and skills you need to be successful in your next steps. School counsellors are available to support you with post-secondary planning and scholarship and bursary applications.

Now is the time to continue with your post-graduation plans. I encourage you to participate in the learning opportunities your teachers are providing, complete and hand-in assignments, and continue to learn, grow and improve your marks where needed.

Post-secondary institutions continue to process applications and plan for the intake of new students; however, Canada Post has been advising of some international mail service delays related to COVID-19. To ensure your post-secondary applications and transcripts are received, students are encouraged to contact the international post-secondary institution to ask about extensions or alternate delivery methods. The [Ministry of Education's online student transcript service](#) also provides an option for users to deliver official transcripts electronically to any recipient they choose.

Again, I know that many are wondering what graduation ceremonies and events will look like. If traditional grad ceremonies are not possible, we will either postpone or find an alternate meaningful way for the class of 2020 to celebrate their hard work and successes. Grad committees at both schools continue to work on potential plans for celebrating the accomplishments of our grade 12's and their graduation from school.

Take care and stay safe,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Morrow', written in a cursive style.

Dr. Jeremy Morrow
Superintendent of Schools