



Exshaw School
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Dear Exshaw Families:

As you are aware from our communication, our district is offering the option of either regular 'face-to-face' instruction and teacher-led 'at-home' learning, to our students. Our district has been very busy making a plan for the 326 students who have chosen the teacher-led 'at home' learning option. This has had a huge impact on the staffing throughout Canadian Rockies School Division.

To support the 223 students in Canadian Rockies School Division who have chosen 'at-home' learning in grades Kindergarten to Grade 8 the entire staffing component for CRPS was reviewed by our Human Resources Department and school administration. At Exshaw where the numbers of students were lower, due to families choosing 'at-home' learning for their child/children, classes needed to be combined. To support each family's choice of learning, whether 'face-to-face' or 'at-home' learning, combining the classes was absolutely necessary.

As stated by CRPS, school divisions across the country are engaging in this process because they are unable to reduce class sizes due to the lack of additional provincial funding to do so. We are aware that money is coming from the federal government to the provinces to distribute how they see fit but have not been told how much CRPS will receive and what the expectations are around the distributions of these funds.

To set up all students for success, we have needed to re-assign staff to support students who are choosing the 'at-home' learning option. CRPS, in joint collaboration with Exshaw School, will continue to monitor student learning choices and make decisions with the least amount of disruption possible. If some students decide to make a change to 'face-to-face' learning or switch to 'at-home' learning at the end of the first quarter, then staff will be realigned to support this shift. At the end of October, all parents will be provided with an opportunity to make a final choice between 'at-home' or 'in-person' learning for the remainder of the school learning for the remainder of the school year.

At Exshaw School, the first quarter will have the following teachers as assigned to 'in person' learning:

K/1	Mrs. Booth
2/3	Mrs. Perron
4/5	Mrs. Mulligan
5/6	Ms. Murphy
7/8	Ms. Kulmatycky
Success Teacher	Ms. Soler
Learning Support Teacher	Ms. Chisholm
Family School Liasion Worker	Ms. Moore

At Exshaw School, the first quarter will have the following teachers as assigned to 'at home' teacher directed learning:

K/1	Mrs. Beardwood/Ms. Young
2/3/4	Mrs. Schneider/Ms. Dallyn/Mr. Prescesky
4/5/6	Mr. Prescesky/Ms. Waite/Mr. Stewart
7/8	Ms. Fraser/Ms. Hood/Mr. Boyd
Success Teacher	Ms. Soler
Learning Support Teacher	Ms. Chisholm
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Students who have 'in person' learning that are experiencing a change of teacher will be contacted by administration.

All families who have chosen 'at-home' learning for their children will be contacted on Tuesday, September 8.

Thank you for being a key member of your child's journey. Exshaw School and CRPS strive to provide a high level of education for all students.

Yours in Education,



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