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June 2020

As the year winds down in June schools are busy making plans for the fall. This is no different this year but for most schools the plans themselves are quite unusual. Brick and mortar schools are having to plan for an opening in September that may be close to normal, some kind of a hybrid of in-class instruction combined with the use of online teaching (this is often called Blended Learning), or a continuation of the Learning at Home plan that they have been experiencing for the last few months. Coming up with these plans is no small task as we don't really know which way Alberta Education will go. Nor do we have a solid timeline for any announcements regarding re-opening. A lot of uncertainty.

At NorthStar Academy we are not as directly affected as other schools since the bulk of the work we do with our students happens remotely, with both our students and our teachers in their homes. We have felt the impact of physical distancing rules. We have had to cancel many learning activities and had to postpone our graduation celebrations. There is uncertainty as to how we will be able to do Activity Days and Learning Clusters in the fall but we are busy making plans that will include physical distancing protocols. We will monitor the announcements from Alberta Health and from Alberta Education and keep you folks informed.

My oldest granddaughter had to stay home from kindergarten for the last couple of months. She is very sociable so she has shed many tears over not being able to play with her friends. Her parents have done a great job of engaging her in learning and keeping her busy but the tears still come some days. She asked that largest of questions the other day "why?".

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When a child asks this you could go through the whole sin, fall, redemption, broken world explanation but that is a bit much for a six year old. I think a simpler message is right for her and maybe for us too at this time. "I don't know why bad things have to happen sometimes but I do know that God loves you and he has a plan for you." "...No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him" I Corinthians 2:9 The times are troubled but God has a great plan for the next school year and for you.

May God bless you with health, safety, and an extra measure of the sense of his presence this summer. We will see you in the fall.

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What's Happening at NorthStar Academy?

Registration for the 2020-21 School year is officially open!

You must register every year.

Go to our website to find our registration forms:

<http://northstaracademycanada.org/Enroll%20Now.php>

We offer 4 programs:

Online Gr 5-12

Print Base Resource Gr 1-12

Home Ed (Traditional) Gr 1-12

Blended Gr 1-12 (new guidelines in place)

What week are we on?

June 1-5

Week 35 Lesson 35

Semester 2 Lesson 17

June 8-12

Week 36 Lesson 36

Semester 2 Lesson 18

Keep in mind

**No slamming policy in effect for
Gr 7—12 as of **JUNE 1, 2020.****

**NO MORE THAN 2
ASSIGNMENTS PER COURSE, PER
WEEK**

Dates and Activities to Remember!

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June 1: Gr 7—12 No slamming policy in effect

June 10: Final submission date for PBR Gr 1-6.

June 15: Final submission date for Grade 5-12.

June 15: Summer school start date

July 24: Last day of Summer school

September 30: Cut off date for registering for the 2020-2021 school year

Always remember to check your spam in your email as sometimes NorthStar emails end up there.

Activity Days

We look forward to the all the Activity Days planned for the 2020-21 school year!

LIMITLESS

Fun activities planned for 2020-21!

Learning Clusters

Stay tuned for the new list of learning cluster for the 2020-21 school year.

Amanda Sadler is our Activity Day coordinator, her email is:
activityday@nsaschool.ca

Important things to know

Rene Hoeksema is retiring!

Rene has been with NorthStar since 1999!

Rene will still be teaching a few of Summer School courses.

Mr. Hooks will be greatly missed!

If you had Mr. Hooks as a teacher and would like to send him a message, his email is rene.hoeksema@nsaschool.ca

NSA GMAIL ACCOUNTS

IMPORTANT

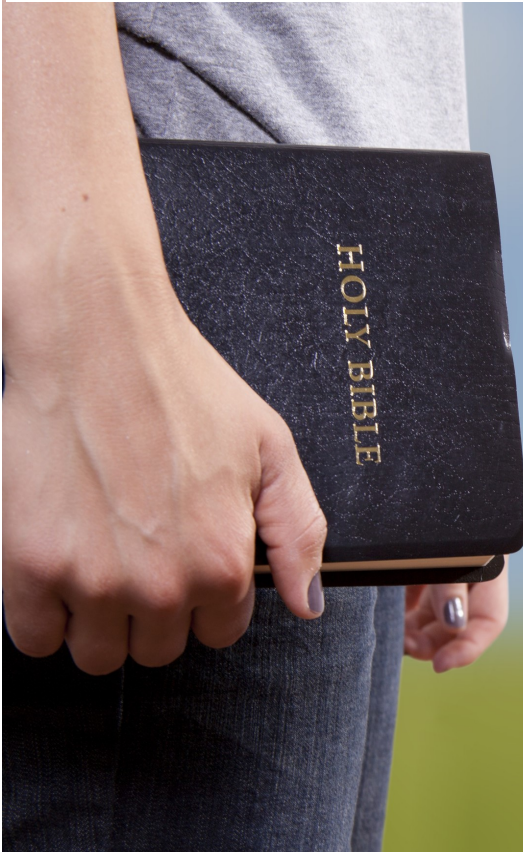
Every NorthStar student is given a Gmail account.

Do not use this account other than for school related emails. The school accounts are deactivated at the end of the school year.

If you are graduating or leaving NorthStar you will not have access to your NSA Gmail after July 1.

For questions, contact Barb at barb.johnson@nsaschool.ca

Bible Memory



The Romans Road ~ Verses to help someone understand why they should be saved

Romans 3:23 – “...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

Romans 6:23 – “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life, in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Romans 5:8 – “But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

John 3:16 – “For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.”

Romans 10:9-10 – “That if you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.”

Romans 8:1-2 – “Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus, the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.”

This is open to all Print Base Resource, Online, and Home Education students. It is optional, and students and parents/supervisors can decide the extent of their involvement together. I know there are some students that want to do Bible Memory, but don't have a Bible Memory program in their curriculum, or love it so much that they want to do extra, so here is one you can use!

Check Us Out



Did you know that NorthStar Academy posts updates about upcoming events, contests, homeschool tips, and more on our website and social media? Check out the links below for all of the updates:



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CLASS OF 2020

Congratulations to the NorthStar Graduates!



Watch on the NorthStar Facebook page for a tribute to our Graduates.

Due to COVID19 we were unable to hold our Graduation on June 6, 2020.

We wish our Graduates all the best!

Love from the NorthStar Staff



Celebration Days!

Teacher and Staff Appreciation

Our teachers and staff work very hard to make sure you have a successful schooling experience.

This year has definitely been a strange one with COVID19.

It's always nice to know when you are appreciated for all the hard work.

If you have a moment, send an email to your teachers and thank them for the school year.

We love and appreciate all our students as well!

We sure missed you since we couldn't hold events like Activity days, Learning Clusters and Grad.

Hope to see you in 2020-21!