

# Assumption Catholic Secondary School

Welcome back to returning students and a special welcome to students new to our school community



#### Prayer

Lord Jesus, we ask for Your help as we begin this new school year.

Allow us to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before us.

Open our eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings.

Open our hearts and minds and give us a generous spirit and courage to accept new opportunities.

Help us to be attentive to one another and let us experience Your presence in our lives.

Jesus, inspire us to do our best this year! Amen



#### Entry to Assumption

- Students are asked NOT to come to school if they are feeling unwell.
- Under our Covid 19 protocols, ALL staff an students must complete and pass the <u>COVID-19 School</u> <u>Screening</u> tool before leaving for school EACH day.
- Access to the school is for students, staff and essential pre-approved visitors only.
- Virtual appointments are available for student services, special education, student success and ESL supports.



#### **Attendance**

- Regular attendance is important.
- Late students will go straight to class until 8:40 am; those arriving after are asked to please sign in at Attendance.
- Parents/guardians report on the School Messenger App the day of any absence due to illness or appointment. Students who are home ill, are invited to log in to their class if they are able.
- Students who do not physically attend school during their appropriate Cohort A or B class will be marked absent for contact tracing purposes regardless of if they join their class on line.



#### Attendance con't

- Students who become ill during the day are asked to tell their teacher so they can report to the office.
- Students who sign in late but do not go to class, are considered truant. Truancies are consequenced in line with our code of conduct, found on our school website.
- VP Alpha by surname
  - Mrs. Thomas A-K, Mr. Chliszcyk L-Z



#### Lates

Doors to the school will open at 8:05. Students are asked to dress weather appropriately for remaining outside until the doors open.

Classroom teacher deals with first 4 lates.
(Please arrive on time in class or on line to minimize disruption)

More than 5 lates will result in contact with administration in line with the student code of conduct found on our website.



#### Uniform

- Please refer to the Agenda for proper uniform items:
  - No hats/bandanas in the school
  - Closed toe/heel shoes; <u>all black</u>
  - Only plain white t-shirts under uniform shirts
  - Uniformed shirt must be worn under uniform sweater
  - No long sleeve shirts under short sleeve shirts
  - Only In School Wear (ISW) or McCarthy pants are allowed
  - Shorts must not be rolled or hemmed
  - You must be in full uniform in the cafeteria no exceptions
  - Spirit/sport wear is not part of the uniform unless it is the Assumption Spirit Hoodie!







#### Uniform Con't

- Students should be in full uniform throughout the day.
- Consequences for being out of uniform:
  - ▶ 1<sup>st</sup> time warning
  - ▶ No Uniform- No Class
  - Multiple infractions may consequence as per the student code of conduct found on our website.



#### Civvies

- School appropriate clothing only (no club or beach wear)
- Shoulders must be covered.
- No hats.
- Skirts and shorts must be an appropriate (modest) length.
- Administration reserves the right to decide what is appropriate.



#### Lockers

There is currently no use of lockers for students.



Students will be permitted to bring their backpacks into class with the necessary materials for class.





#### Food/Drink



- Due to Covid protocols, students do not currently remain at school past 11:35am
- There are no cafeteria services currently available at Assumption
- Students are permitted to bring a small snack and a refillable water bottle into class for their break time
- Assumption is a nut free school "Sabrina's law"



#### **Visitors**

- Due to current Covid protocols, only pre-approved essential visitors, will be permitted on school property or in the school.
- All visitors must follow the HCDSB Covid 19 visitor protocol found on our school website.





#### Cars & Parking

- Driving is a privilege not a right.
- Drive carefully and safely in the parking lot and surrounding areas.
- Students should not be gathering in their cars
- While walking in parking lot, be aware.



#### Busing

- Bussing is an extension of the school
- Bussing is a privilege not a right
- Students must be on the registered list to ride the bus and must sit in their assigned seat number
- > Students must be masked on their bus ride.





# Electronic Devices and Technology



- Electronic devices can only be used in the classroom for educational purposes under the direction of the teacher.
- ▶ The school is not responsible for lost or stolen devices.
- Inappropriate use of Technology will be addressed by administration in line with progressive discipline and the student code of conduct found on our school website as indicated in messages sent home early September.



#### Digital Citizenship

- During this period of Hybrid Learning, there is an expectation that students continue to must abide by Board and school Codes of Conduct.
- Students are required to demonstrate digital citizenship through the appropriate use of technology as outlined in the student code of conduct found on our school website.
- Inappropriate behaviour online could result in disciplinary action as per our Progressive Discipline policy.





#### Inappropriate Behaviour



- School consequences will result when inappropriate behaviour occurs on school property, during school events, or if an event occurring off school property affects the climate of the school. This includes any behaviour occurring in on line classrooms.
- Assumption has zero tolerance for alcohol, drugs, and fighting.
- ▶ When in doubt report to the office.

#### DRUG FREE SCHOOL ZONE

DRUGS, ALCOHOL, & TOBACCO PRODUCTS PROHIBITED



### Inappropriate Electronic Communication

- Defined as sending inappropriate pictures or text messages by phone or through social networking sites.
- Students sending, forwarding, posting or showing these pictures or messages will be suspended (and possibly expelled).
- Police will be contacted.





#### Bullying

Will not be tolerated in any form:

Verbal, physical or electronic (Twitter, Snapchat, Instagram, Facebook, MS Teams).

- Students are expected to report all concerns to a teacher or administrator.
- Students who bully or who encourage bullying will be consequenced.

# Bul-lyi-ng

Repeated aggressive behavior intended to hurt another person, physically or mentally. Bullying exploits an imbalance of power.

Bullying consists of three basic types of abuse:

- 1. Emotional
- Verbal
- 3. Physical



#### Smoking & Vaping



- Not allowed on school property a Provincial law. Suspension if caught smoking/vaping on school property. There is an area out front that you can smoke if need be. Keep area clean.
- Please remember you must be 16 years of age to smoke; if caught smoking during school hours, please remember consequences can range from fines to suspension.
- No smoking/vaping in cars.
- By-law officers will fine students found on school property \$325.00.
- Suspension for smoking/vaping and/or in possession of a vape device or the like, on school property.



## A Few Keys to Success!

- Get involved in what you can. Virtual clubs, sports, student government, ambassadors...and the list goes on!
- ▶ If struggling, please seek help from classroom teacher, guidance counsellor, child and youth worker, social work and V.P.s
- Talk to your ambassador or a fellow mentor!
- Lead a healthy lifestyle (food, sleep, exercise, relationships, school)



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