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Dear Parents & Guardians,

NEW: As of March 20, 2020 at 11:00 this morning, Alberta Education has released new guidelines to direct how students will learn while in-school classes are cancelled due to the provincial health emergency.

This approach was developed in consultation with a variety of education leaders to identify how teacher-directed learning could occur for students across Alberta. Each school board has been provided with the flexibility required to meet the unique needs of their students.

Continuity of Student Learning and Content Delivery

Within Wolf Creek, teachers of pre-kindergarten to Grade 12 students will offer at-home learning opportunities, either through online means or through other accommodations, such as course packages, web based connections and telephone check-ins. The Government of Alberta expects that every student, regardless of their geographic location or socioeconomic status, will continue to learn while in-school classes across the province are cancelled.

To assist with identifying what content needs to be delivered a **Wolf Creek Learning Support Plan will be provided to school administrators and teachers after Spring Break**. Teachers will evaluate curricular outcomes that have not yet been covered, prioritize remaining outcomes based on what is manageable for students working from home, and will plan specific tasks and projects for students.

Content Delivery for Each Grade Level at IREC

Pre-Kindergarten

Students who are enrolled in Bright Futures Play Academy will be provided with optional learning opportunities through communication from the teacher. There is no requirement to participate and no fees will be assessed for this timeframe while classes are cancelled. Teachers will connect with parents after March 30 to determine if they want to access some optional learning support.

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Kindergarten to Grade 3

Education content will focus on language/literacy and mathematics/numeracy outcomes of the provincial curriculum. Teachers will assign an average of five hours of work per student per week for K-3 students, and will be expected to work with their students and parents on the delivery of these materials through various means.

Assessment Practices, Grade Progression and Report Cards

Every student will receive final grades and will receive a report card, appropriate to their grade level. Teachers will be assessing a student's progress as it unfolds in individual circumstances. At the end of June students will be assigned a final grade. Wolf Creek school administrators and teachers will continue to ensure parents are kept informed of how assessment will be determined in this unique circumstance.

Learning Will be Supported

We look forward to connecting with you after March 30 around the learning plan for your child. We appreciate your patience as we adjust to this new model of delivery and we recognize that we will need to adapt to specific household circumstances.

Rest assured that we are focused on successful learning opportunities for your child, despite these unprecedented times.

Stay well and enjoy Spring Break. Be IREC Strong!

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Sincerely,

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