

QMS Newsletter



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Week of June 1, 2020

Queensborough Middle School

Important Dates

Week of June 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remote Learning Continues Partial return to in-class instruction
Week of June 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remote Learning Continues Partial return to in-class instruction
Week of June 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remote Learning Continues Partial return to in-class instruction
June 17	PAC Annual General Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 p.m. Microsoft Teams meeting
June 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last Library Book Exchange
Week of June 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remote Learning Continues Partial return to in-class instruction
June 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Library books returned
June 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last day of school for students Virtual Leaving Ceremony for Gr. 8s Report cards published to MyEd Parent Portal

Only those students whose parents confirmed they were returning to school are able to join us the week of June 1.

If you wish your child to return to school but **DID NOT** complete last week's survey, please contact Lisa Nasato, Principal, by email or phone:

lnasato@sd40.bc.ca

(604) 517-6040

Principal's Message:

WELCOME BACK! As the district and school moves into Education Stage 3 for K-12, we are pleased to welcome some of our students back to school on a voluntary and part-time basis starting this week.

Beginning the week June 1:

- returning students in **grade 5** will attend school each school day from *9-11:30 a.m.
- Returning students in **grades 6, 7 & 8** will attend school for two half-day sessions from *12:30-3 p.m.

***We are staggering the start and end times of our morning and afternoon sessions to minimize our numbers in the halls and outside the building.**

The health and safety of our students and staff are our biggest priorities. We will be following all health and safety protocols to make sure everyone stays safe. These include additional cleaning and disinfecting, physical barriers, decreased density in learning spaces, and increased signs and visual cues.

Some of our families have chosen to continue with remote learning for the month of June. All students will continue to engage remotely in some form, and teachers will continue to share Weekly Learning Plans and learning opportunities. Once remote classroom and support schedules have been revised to fit with our partial return to in-class instruction, they will be shared with you by your child's teacher.

I hope you have had the opportunity to check on your child (ren)'s remote learning classrooms...so much learning is happening in innovative and creative ways! Our staff and students, with the support of QMS parents, have certainly risen to the challenge of this unique time!



Until next week ... take care and stay safe,
Lisa Nasato

It is extremely important that we have your current contact information. If your telephone number or email address has changed, please let the school office know by phone (604) 517-6040 or email(queensborough@sd40.bc.ca).





QMS June 2020 Schedule for In-Class Instruction:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes- day	Thursday	Friday
Mornings* <small>*Start and end times staggered</small>	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5
9:00-11:30	Division 10 Division 12	Division 10 Division 12	Division 10 Division 12	Division 10 Division 12	Division 10 Division 12
9:05-11:25	Division 11	Division 11	Division 11	Division 11	Division 11
9:10-11:40	Division 13	Division 13	Division 13	Division 13	Division 13
Afternoons* <small>*Start and end times staggered</small>	Grade 8 Grade 7/8	Grade 6	Grade 8 Grade 7/8 Grade 7	Grade 6	Grade 7
12:20-2:50	Division 1	Division 7	Division 1 Division 4	Division 7	Division 4
12:25-2:55	Division 2	Division 8	Division 2 Division 5	Division 8	Division 5
12:30-3:00	Division 3	Division 9	Division 3 Division 6	Division 9	Division 6

Those students attending school for the full day are to report to the Library when not attending scheduled times with their home base divisions.

***If you did not complete our survey advising of your child(ren)'s return to school, please contact Lisa Nasato, Principal (lnasato@sd40.bc.ca) PRIOR to sending your child to school.**



Daily Wellness Check:

COVID-19 Health & Safety

Daily Health Assessment for Students

Parents and caregivers must assess their child daily for symptoms of common cold, influenza, COVID-19, or other infectious respiratory disease before sending them to school. If a student develops symptoms, parents or caregivers must keep their child at home until they have been assessed by a health care provider to exclude COVID-19 or other infectious diseases, and their symptoms have resolved.

Please check your child daily for the following symptoms:

- Coughing
- Fever (> 37.5 °C) or signs of fever*
- Chills
- Sore throat and painful swallowing
- Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
- Headache
- Chills
- Feeling unwell/fatigue
- Muscle aches and pains
- Stuffy or runny nose
- Loss of sense of smell
- Diarrhea
- Nausea/vomiting
- Loss of appetite

If ANY of these signs and symptoms are present, your child is NOT permitted to attend school. Contact 811 for more information and have your child assessed by a health care provider.

Please note, if there is a confirmed case of COVID 19 within the home, students must remain at home and consult their health care provider.

*Average normal body temperature taken orally is about 37°C. For more on normal body temperature and fevers, see HealthLinkBC's information for children age 11 and younger and for people age 12 and older.

Release Date: 20200522

June 1 Return to In-Class Instruction:

Phase 3 Optional Return to In-Class Instruction: What you need to know

Visit the District's webpage for questions and answers about our June 1 partial return to in-class instruction.

<https://newwestschools.ca/phase-3-what-you-need-to-know/>

You can find information and responses to questions such as:

- **Do I have to send my kids back?**
- **Are schools safe right now?**
- **What will the new schedules look like in New West?**
- **What are the new health and safety measures?**
- **What are the physical distancing measures we can expect to see?**
- **What role will custodians play?**
- **How will you deal with paper or textbooks?**
- **What are mandatory daily health checks?**
- **Will masks be required of staff or students?**
- **Will my child be given preferential treatment or a better grade if I select one option over the other?**

This page will be updated as more questions are received. Questions can be sent to:

communications@sd40.bc.ca



Extra Support Blocks:

With our return to in-class instruction commencing June 1, changes to our extra support block schedule will be necessary. A revised schedule will be shared once adjustments have been made. Thank you for your flexibility and understanding!



Health & Safety Guidelines:

The school is following a number of health and safety guidelines as prescribed by the Provincial Health Officer and Worksafe BC. This will mean things will be different in our classrooms for those students returning to school the week of June 1. Here are some reminders that have been shared by emails. Please review these with your child(ren).

- Be sure your child knows of the times they will be attending school. The schedule has been sent by email and posted to the QMS website (<https://queensboroughschool.ca/>). It is very important that students are on time to school. **NOTE:** Arrival and departure times have been staggered. School staff will be available at start and end times to monitor and assist.
- Complete a **daily** wellness check before bringing your child to school. If your child is unwell, **do not** send them to school.
- Students need to bring a water bottle to school. Our water fountains have been disabled.
- Students need to eat a nutritious breakfast or lunch prior to coming to school. Any snacks brought to school must be ready to eat. Food is not to be shared with others.
- Leave backpacks and cell phones at home. If your child must bring a cell phone, it is to be powered off upon arrival at school and kept in their desk or pocket.
- Students are asked to bring a pencil or pen, and paper to school on their first day.
- There will be no access to lockers except to clean them out (your child's teacher will provide more details about this process.)
- All staff, students and visitors to the school will be required to wash their hands or use hand sanitizer upon entering and leaving the school. Students will be provided with increased hand washing opportunities.
- Students will be spending time outside. This will include the playground at Ryall Park once the City reopens the park.
- Keep to the right in the hallways and stairwells. We have arrows on the floor as reminders.
- Respect limits on number of students permitted in wash-rooms at a time and other occupancy limits posted throughout the school.
- Students will be assigned individual work spaces for the month of June.
- Parents who need access to the building are asked to contact the office (604-517-6040) to make an appointment.

Please visit the District website (<https://newwestschools.ca/covid-19-info-centre/>) for up to date information and resources.

What to Expect for the Week Ahead:

This week you can expect:

- ◇ information (shared by email on Friday, May 29) regarding the process for students returning to school this week
- ◇ weekly learning plans posted to Google Classroom and emailed to parents no later than Monday morning for the upcoming week
- ◇ teachers providing learning opportunities to students remotely and in-class for those students returning to school
- ◇ teachers connecting in person or remotely with students to check in with them, provide instruction and assign work for the week
- ◇ teachers providing ongoing feedback on work completed by students
- ◇ teachers reaching out by phone and email if your child is not regularly engaging in learning opportunities or completing assignments to the best of their ability. **This is a good opportunity to share with the teacher any challenges that your child is experiencing.**
- ◇ Library Book Return and Pick up



Planning Ahead:

Are You Moving Schools?

Planning is in progress for next year's school year. To assist us with our planning, please let us know if your child (ren) will be moving schools next year. Please contact the office by email (queensborough@sd40.bc.ca) or by phone (604 517 6040).

You will be asked to complete a "Students Leaving School/District Declaration". This form can be found on the School District webpage:

<https://newwestschools.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Students-Not-Returning-Declaration-2020-2021.pdf>

This form is **NOT** required for students who are:

- applying for a program of choice.
- transitioning from elementary to middle school or middle to high school but will be attending their catchment school.



New Registrations for the 2020-2021 School Year:

At the present time we are not accepting registrations at schools.

If you would like to register your child for the 2020-2021 school year beginning in September, please send an email with your name (parent name) and a contact phone number to the email address below:

registrations@sd40.bc.ca

You will be contacted within two school days with information about the process (required documents etc.) and to arrange an appointment at our **School Board Office (811 Ontario Street, New Westminster)** where you can complete your child's registration.

Please Note: Some of our schools are currently full. If your local school is full, we will find your child a spot at the nearest school with remaining capacity.

For our **Registration Documentation Checklist** please visit:

<https://newwestschools.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Registration-Checklist-2020-1.pdf>



A Note from the Counsellor:

A Message from our Counsellor:

Everyone has things they worry about (family, job, bills, health, tomorrow). Worries are a normal part of our daily existence. But some worries tend to feel overwhelming and triggers for these types of worries include situations where there is no clear “right answer” or situations that are new and so “unfamiliar” or situations where the outcomes seem very random or unpredictable.



For young people who tend to worry, our current world situation includes “all of the above”. You might want to help your child differentiate between “normal” worry (which leads you to consider options) and “excessive worry” (which leaves you feeling exhausted and powerless). You could use the Worry Tree to help you with this task by accessing it at:

<https://www.thinkcbt.com/images/Downloads/THINK-CBT-THE-WORRY-TREE-V-29.01.16.pdf>

If you feel your child would benefit from doing this activity with the school counsellor then reach out to Ms. Schweers at (604) 549-6655 or by email at sschweers@sd40.bc.ca.

Ms. Shirle Schweers
QMS Counsellor

QMS Events and Announcements:

QMS Yearbook:



Just a reminder, that we only have eight 2020 Yearbooks left for sale. You can reserve a book by emailing Ms. Schweers at:

sschweers@sd40.bc.ca

Yearbooks cost \$25.00.

The Yearbook has many pictures capturing our school year and each division has its own 2-page spread. Some of our Theme Pages include:

The Terry Fox Run;
The May Day Candidate assembly;
The Hub Cycling Program;
Lunch Hour at QMS;
and many more, including a page about our experiences with COVID-19.

Our Yearbook Team has captured a unique year of memories!

PRIDE Club Challenge:

Our QMS PRIDE Club helps others to remember that each of us has something about ourselves to celebrate. Celebration can be an expression of gratitude. Research tells us that experiencing gratitude as a “giver or a receiver” has many health benefits. One study from the University of Pennsylvania found that people who wrote and delivered a heartfelt thank-you note actually felt happier for a full month after, and the same researchers discovered that writing down three positive events each day for a week kept happiness levels high for up to six months.

*Gratitude
is the best
Attitude*

So, your PRIDE Challenge this week is to take a “Gratitude Walk” as a family. Go on an evening stroll and look for things to be grateful for, like the beautiful leaves, the smell of rain, cars to drive and the friendly neighbours. When you get home sit down together and see if you can list the many things you noted on your Gratitude Walk and then, post the list on the fridge!



PAC News:

June Annual General Meeting:

Please join us for our Annual General meeting on:

Wednesday, June 17
6:30 p.m.
Microsoft Teams meeting
(Link will be provided at a later date)

Calling all QMS parents! There are three positions available on our PAC executive next year:

Vice President/Chair
Secretary
Treasurer

If you are interested in any of these positions or wish to learn more about them, please email the QMS PAC at:
qmspac2013@gmail.com

Nomination forms have been emailed home with this newsletter. Elections will be held at our June 17 AGM.

The Role of the QMS PAC/

The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is involved in many kinds of activities to support its advisory role under the School Act. Here is a summary of some of the activities of the QMS PAC:

- Promoting parent involvement in schools
- Communicating with parents about the school and district
- Providing a forum for discussion of educational issues
- Advocating for students and parents and supporting local advocacy projects
- Organizing activities and events for students and parents
- Providing financial support of the goals of the Council, as identified by the members.

If you would like to learn more about QMS' PAC, plan to attend the June AGM or reach out by email to:

qmspac2013@gmail.com



PAC Meeting Dates for 2020-2021:

The QMS PAC meets the third Wednesday of most months, and meets at 6:30 p.m. in the school Library Learning Commons. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend. Mark your calendars with the meeting dates for the 2020-2021 school year:

Wednesday, September 16	6:30 p.m.	Library Learning Commons
Wednesday, October 21	6:30 p.m.	Library Learning Commons
Wednesday, November 18	6:30 p.m.	Library Learning Commons
Wednesday, January 20	6:30 p.m.	Library Learning Commons
Wednesday, February 17	6:30 p.m.	Library Learning Commons
Wednesday, April 14	6:30 p.m.	Library Learning Commons
Wednesday, May 19	6:30 p.m.	Library Learning Commons
Wednesday, June 16	6:30 p.m.	Library Learning Commons



School Start School Supplies:

The PAC is pleased to offer families the convenience of ordering next year's school supplies from the comfort of home. The school does encourage our students to reuse school supplies left over from previous years. This School Start offer is an **optional** PAC fundraiser. School Start orders forms will be emailed home. Forms have also been included with this newsletter for your reference.

Families needing financial assistance with school supplies can contact Principal Lisa Nasato (lnasato@sd40.bc.ca).

Helpful Tips and Resources:

G Suite (Google) password resets:

If students have forgotten their G Suite (Google) password, please contact our Teacher Librarian, Lisa Seddon, at lseddon@sd40.bc.ca.

Students can also go to <https://sites.google.com/sd40.bc.ca/qms-library/home> and find a form to request a password change.



Counselling Support:

Our Counsellor, Shirle Schweers is available to provide or arrange social/emotional/learning support for your child.

Ms. Schweers
Email: sschweers@sd40.bc.ca
Phone: (604) 549-6655
Weekdays from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Before and After School Care:

Before and after school care will be provided by the Westminster Children's After School Society (WCAS). There may be a cost associated with this. Their hours of operation are:

7-9 a.m.
3-6 p.m.

Inquiries can be directed to:

director@WCASS.com

If you have childcare needs or feel that your child requires full time in-class instruction due to unique circumstances, please contact Lisa Nasato, Principal, at:

lnasato@sd40.bc.ca

Student Access to Schools to Clear Out Lockers and Desks:

Students whose families have chosen to continue with remote learning and need to attend the school to clear out their lockers and desks can contact Mr. Jaggernathsingh by email to arrange a time to come to the school.

rjaggernathsingh@sd40.bc.ca

Students and parent/guardians who have been outside of the country within the past 14 days or anyone who is showing signs of illness may not enter the building.

Thank you for your cooperation and help in keeping QMS safe for staff, students and their families.



COVID-19 Info Centre:

For resources, tools and updates to help your family and children through this challenging time, visit:

<https://newwestschools.ca/covid-19-info-centre/>

This site is updated regularly so be sure to check back often.



The plan for phase 3: Superintendent update:

The following letter from Superintendent Hachlaf was emailed to all families on May 22:

Dear students, parents and staff,

Over the last few months we have been collectively faced with circumstances and choices we each never saw coming. The path we're walking together shifts often, usually quite quickly. And that's about to happen again. Throughout this process though, we have shown tremendous resilience and support for one another and with the final weeks of the school year upon us, we remain committed to continuing on this way.

Last week your Principals reached out to gauge initial interest at each school around which families would like to take advantage of the optional part-time return to classes, and which families (for a variety of reasons) want to finish the school year through remote learning.

Using the feedback you provided, alongside additional guidance from the Ministry of Education and the health authorities, New Westminster Schools will be submitting our plan to the Ministry on Monday. We've come up with a plan that will work best, for most families – acknowledging some might change their previous thinking as they consider the details. But it will also give us the greatest ability to continue to keep students, staff and families safe. Moreover, it is a plan which can be adapted if needed.

Here's what to expect:

- K-5 will be operating at a maximum of 50% density: half days, five days a week
- Grades 6-12 will be operating at a maximum of 20%: two half days, two days a week
- A combination of in-class instruction and/or child care coverage at one of our Child Learning Centres will continue to be available 5 days a week for essential service workers (including for New Westminster School District staff who have school-aged children attending our Schools), as well as for students with diverse needs and abilities.
- Remote learners will continue to receive support and instruction via the channels being used now, just on a slightly modified schedule to account for the split teaching model

Principals will send exact schedules for your school early next week. You will have the opportunity then to confirm if you'd like to go ahead as originally indicated, or let them know if you've changed your mind once you have a better sense of the exact details.



The plan for phase 3: Superintendent update...cont'd:

We also know you still have questions about health and safety, how schools will look different and what the implementation of Provincial Health Officer and Worksafe BC guidance will mean inside our schools. And for families sending children back in June, you'll need to start a daily routine of doing health assessments for each of your children before sending them. We've created an online space to help answer all the questions you may have around these and other issues: <https://newwestschools.ca/phase-3-what-you-need-to-know/>

Again, we know every child and every family is in a different position right now. So we respect and value your right to make the decision that works best for you at this time ... while we all work toward the anticipated next shift that will hopefully bring a full return to our schools in September.

Working together through this challenging time,
Karim Hachlaf
Superintendent of Schools / CEO



Final Report Cards

The following letter was emailed to all families on:

May 12, 2020

Thank you for your patience and support during the suspension of in-class instruction and our shift to remote learning. We know it hasn't been easy. In fact, it has been a challenge for all of us - navigating professional and personal needs to keep our families safe. But together, we are making it work. Now, guided by Ministry of Education directives, we are looking ahead to how we will provide valuable assessment and evaluation information to you about your student. Specifically, we want to share with you what to expect for our June reporting period.

The Ministry has required that all students receive a final grade for each course they are enrolled in and successfully complete at the end of the school year. Teachers will be determining final grades for students based on both the work completed before the suspension of in-class instruction and the assessment of learning that has, and will continue, to occur while in-class instruction is suspended, and learning continues remotely.

However, we completely understand that some students and families may be finding remote learning very challenging and may not be able to fully engage. If this is the case, please be assured that your child will not be penalized in any way. We will provide you with a report card that summarizes the work that was completed from September to March. When face-to-face instruction resumes, teachers will work on foundational skills to make sure that all students are ready to proceed with new learning at the next grade level.

Guiding Principles: (Ministry of Education)

Teachers are expected to:

- Prioritize learning opportunities for students that support essential skills and curricular competencies
- Determine, base on the prioritized learning opportunities, previous learning opportunities, and professional judgement, if **sufficient learning** has taken place
- Focus on literacy and numeracy across the curriculum
- Embed the Core Competencies and First Peoples Principles in learning opportunities
- Consider that some students will require unique approaches to instruction and assessment based on individual needs (academic and social emotional, access to technology and resources, and family circumstances)
- Continue to use effective feedback and assessment practices to support learning growth
- Complete a June report card

Students are encouraged to:

- Engage in remote learning to the best of their ability
- Connect with their teacher on a regular basis
- Complete and submit assigned work

June Reporting: What Will it Look Like for my Child?

The Final Report Card will be published to the MyEducationBC Parent Portal the week of June 29. We will follow the Ministry of Education Reporting Policy and our regular District process. Report Cards will include:

Summary of Student Learning:

Teachers will provide information on your student's strengths and stretches in learning throughout the entire school year.



Final Report Cards continued...

Core Competency Self-Assessment:

Students in Kindergarten to Grade 9 are required to complete a Core Competency Self-Assessment. You will receive information on where to access this self-assessment (it might be an attachment to the report card, sent to you via email, a link to a portfolio submission or in Google classroom or Teams). Students will assess their abilities to communicate, think and interact personally and socially.

Final Grades and Comments:

Teachers will provide information on your child's proficiency in learning in all curriculum areas:

- proficiency is measured in Kindergarten using: Approaching Expectations, Meeting Expectations, Exceeding Expectations
- proficiency is measured in Grades 1-3 using: Not Yet Meeting Expectations, Approaching Expectations, Meeting Expectations, Exceeding Expectations
- proficiency is measured in Grades 4-8 using letter grades: A, B, C+, C, C-, F

Inclusive Education Students and English Language Learners Receiving Additional Supports:

- Learning Support Teachers will provide comments to reflect the learning that the student has done throughout the year and their progress in relation to their IEP or AIP goals

Reporting Considerations:

- Term 2 marks and comments will form the foundation of the Final Report Card.
- Students who actively engage in remote learning and show evidence of essential skill development have the opportunity to improve their Term 2 grades.
- Students will be given every opportunity to engage in remote learning through the use of online tools, email, phone, paper-based packages, Google Classroom and Microsoft Teams.
- We will also be inviting students, on a voluntary basis, to come to schools on a partial schedule in the coming weeks
- Students who have experienced challenges with engaging with remote learning, e.g. family circumstances, illness, technology concerns, etc., will not be penalized. Teachers will use their professional judgement and the assessment of learning from September to March to prepare final grades and comments.

Communication is key to support our students in their learning. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress, please contact your teacher as soon as possible to determine a successful completion plan.

For more information, please refer to the Ministry of Education's Frequently Asked Questions:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/administration/childcare-to-grade-12/safe-caring-orderly/bc-ministry-of-education-questions-and-answers-continuity-of-learning-k-12-education_system.pdf

Sincerely,
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Student Guidelines for Remote Learning Participation:

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Welcome to our new remote learning environment! We are excited to be using a variety of online tools to support learning, specifically Microsoft Teams and Google Classroom. All classrooms have rules and procedures in place to make sure that everyone has safe, comfortable and productive learning experiences. Our online learning spaces are no exception.

Guiding Principles:

No matter what online environment you are working in, the following guiding principles are important to remember:

- ◇ **Our virtual classrooms are safe spaces:** disrespectful language and inappropriate behaviour are not allowed. All participants in a classroom, physical or virtual, have the right to learn in a respectful environment.
- ◇ **An online learning environment is not a social media site:** keep comments and conversations focused on the lesson and learning materials currently being discussed, or questions about previous learning.
- ◇ **District and School Codes of Conduct apply.**

Getting Ready to Participate in the Virtual Classroom:

- ◇ Be punctual. Your teacher will send you an invitation to join a meeting or lesson at a specific time.
- ◇ Make sure that your computer/device is functional, charged or connected to a charger, and that your computer speaker is on.
- ◇ Work in a room with no distractions. Turn off the TV, other computers, music or anything else that might distract you or your classmates.
- ◇ Put your cell phone away.
- ◇ Parents are welcome to join in any virtual meeting or activity.

Video Conferencing Expectations:

Both Microsoft Teams and Google Meet have video conferencing features. We see the value and importance of using video conferencing to connect with our students and support them in their learning. However, to ensure student safety and privacy, please adhere to these expectations:

- ◇ When you first enter the virtual meeting/classroom, please mute your mic and turn off your camera.
- ◇ Your teacher will give you instructions of how to use specific tools when you first begin the meeting.
- ◇ Your teacher will let you know if the camera may be used. If you are invited to use the camera, it is still your choice to have it on or off.
- ◇ Be aware of your surroundings if the camera may be used. What you wear or have in the background can be seen by others. Wear appropriate clothing for attending school. Consider blurring your background.
- ◇ Keep your mic muted. Only unmute when your teacher asks you to do so and mute yourself again immediately after speaking. This will prevent background noise.
- ◇ Do not enter a meeting and say 'hello'. The teacher can see who is joining the meeting and will acknowledge you.
- ◇ When wanting to speak or ask a question, do not simply click your audio un-mute button and start speaking. Instead, use the 'chat' feature of the Meeting.
 - ◇ If you wish to ask a question, type in '**Question?**' in the chat bar and click 'return'.
 - ◇ Your teacher will see that you have a question and will call on you as soon as possible.
 - ◇ Unmute yourself when your teacher asks you to, and mute again right after speaking.

Other Expectations:

- ◇ Your teacher will share their screen to show you online lessons or activities. Students should only share their screen if asked to do so by the teacher in order to look at an assignment and provide feedback.
- ◇ Do not record anything. All participants in a discussion or lesson will be automatically notified if the recording function is engaged. Recording or taking a picture of anything in the virtual classroom and sharing it with others, especially online, is a violation of the privacy of others and against the law.
- ◇ Do not invite other students or participants who were not initially invited by your teacher.
- ◇ You can use **automatic closed captioning**. This is a great option if your Wi-Fi and bandwidth are not strong and the sound regularly cuts out. You will still be able to read what is going on.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please contact your teacher directly.

Digital Citizenship Resources for Parents:

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Be Internet Awesome
https://beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com/en_us/families

Digital Safety Resource by Google. The Be Internet Awesome Family Guide gives families the tools and resources to learn about online safety and citizenship at home. Interland is an online game that makes learning about digital safety and citizenship interactive and fun.



Media Smarts (EN)
<http://mediasmarts.ca/parents>

Habito Medias (FR)
<http://habilomedias.ca/pour-parents>



MediaSmarts has been developing digital and media literacy programs and resources for Canadian homes, schools and communities since 1996. They support teachers and parents with information and tools so they can help children and teens develop the critical thinking skills they need for interacting with the media they love.

Common Sense – Media
<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/>



Common Sense Media helps families make smart media choices. They have reviews for movies, games, apps, TV shows, websites, books, music etc. They also have a Parent Blog to help families understand and navigate the problems and possibilities of raising children in the digital age.

CyberWise
<http://www.cyberwise.org/>



Get wise about online safety. Learn about digital citizenship, Internet safety, security, privacy, sexting, cyberbullying, reputation management and more so *you* can help kids embrace technology safely and wisely.



QMS Staff Contact Information:

Division	Grade	Name	Email	
1	8	Athanasia Ventouras	aventouras@sd40.bc.ca	
2	8	Randy Jaggernathsingh Mario Avila	rjaggernathsingh@sd40.bc.ca mavila@sd40.bc.ca	
3	7/8	Samantha Dowdell	sdowdell@sd40.bc.ca	
4	7	Marc Rouleau	mrouleau@sd40.bc.ca	
5	7	Riel Villeneuve	rvilleneuve@sd40.bc.ca	
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*Place your online order from now until June 2020 and you'll automatically be entered for a chance to win \$1000 in groceries. The winning kit order number will be posted on our school-start FB page early July.

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Your teachers at Queensborough Middle School are excited to offer the opportunity to purchase quality standardized school supplies through **School Start** for the 2020/2021 school year. This process will save you both time and money.

WHAT THE ORDER LOOKS LIKE:

- Starter – consumable items
- Additional – still required, but you may have already

3 WAYS TO ORDER:

1. **ONLINE:** You can place your order online at <https://schoolstart.ca/>
Our site is best compatible with Firefox or Chrome.
2. **PHONE:** You can call our customer service centre at 1-800-580-1868 to place your order over the phone.
3. **ORDER FORM (for school delivery only):**
You can print and fill out the order form and return to our office with payment to 1317 – 43 Avenue SE, Calgary, AB T2G 2A3. Please make cheques payable to **School Start**.
Order Form Deadline: is June 17, 2020.

 **OUR CALL CENTRE IS AVAILABLE** if you have any issues ordering online. 1-800-580-1868

2 DELIVERY OPTIONS:

1. The supplies will be packaged and delivered directly to your house. If you have a P.O. Box, please use your 911 address. Because the kit (s) are delivered to your home, you will have the ability to:
 - ✓ Pre-label your child's supplies
 - ✓ Add supplies to your order for your child in another school
2. The supplies will be packaged and delivered directly to the school in August before your child arrives, labeled with his/her name on the School Start Package.

Late orders will be accepted online until October 1, 2020 (\$5 late fee will apply after August 1, 2020). Please note after October 1st, you can call in to the office to place your order.

Thank you for your support!
When you order your child's back to school kit online, our school is eligible to receive \$5/kit back!

If you have any questions, please contact School Start
info@schoolstart.ca | Ph: 1-800-580-1868 | Fax: 1-800-580-1890

SchoolStart School Supplies Grade 5:



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Queensborough Middle School
New Westminster, British Columbia
Grade 5
Grade 5

\$1000 in Groceries

Starter Package

Qty.	Description
2	School Start 5 Index Dividers (Insertable tabs)
2	Hilroy Graph Note Book (1 cm) - 80 pages
2	Hilroy Lined Looseleaf Paper - 150 sheets
2	School Start 1" Binder - Assorted Colours (D Ring)
2	Staedler Norica HB #2 Pencils (pre-sharpened) - 12 pack
2	School Start White Premium Eraser

Qty.	Description
2	Hilroy Coil Note Book (10 1/2" x 8") - 80 pages
6	School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Assorted Colours
1	Hilroy Plain Looseleaf Paper - 200 sheets
2	Bic Pen (medium red)
2	Bic Highlighter (Assorted Colours)
1	Sheet of Personalized Student Labels

Cost of Starter Package \$ 38.86

Items required by teacher and to be ordered if you do not already have them

Description	Qty. Req'd	Price	Qty. Ordered	Subtotal
Crayola Fine Line Washable Markers - 24 pack	1	8.42	_____	_____
Sharpie Fine Point Permanent Marker (black)	2	1.09	_____	_____
Expo Low Odor Dry Erase Fine Tip Markers - 4 pack	1	6.14	_____	_____
Sharpie Ultra Fine Point Permanent Marker - Black	2	1.21	_____	_____
Staedler Triangular Coloured Pencils (pre-sharpened) - 24 pack	1	5.08	_____	_____
Crayola Wax Crayons - 24 pack	1	2.21	_____	_____
Fiskars 5" Pointed Scissors	1	3.81	_____	_____
School Start White School Glue - 140 ml.	1	1.61	_____	_____
Elmer's Clear All Purpose Glue Stick - 40 g.	2	1.84	_____	_____
School Start Clear Plastic Ruler (Inches/cm) - 12"/30 cm	1	0.81	_____	_____
School Start Pencil Sharpener w/ Container	1	1.63	_____	_____
School Start Dual Power Calculator	1	4.03	_____	_____
Plastic Pencil Box (8.4" x 5.6" x 2.5")	1	2.27	_____	_____
School Start Self Stick Notes (3" x 3") - 100 sheets/pad	1	1.60	_____	_____
Cascades Moka Facial Tissue - 100 sheets	1	1.57	_____	_____
Abus 78/50 Combination Lock	1	7.43	_____	_____
Prang Professional Oval Watercolour Paint Set (8 colours) - includes brush	1	4.27	_____	_____
Maxell EB-95 Stereo Earbuds	1	5.15	_____	_____

Students will need to purchase a QMS Planner in September for 10.00 Ruler does not have to be clear

Cost of Required Items (prices include tax) \$

Shipping \$ 3.50

Total Cost (Starter Package + Required Items + Shipping) (prices include tax) \$

Contact Info / Payment

Manual Order Form Deadline: June 18th, 2020

Student Name (label to appear on supply box) _____ Phone Number _____ Email (summer contact info) _____

By Credit Card Payment: Visa Mastercard Cheque (made payable to: School Start)

Card Number _____ Expiry Date _____ \$ _____

Name as it appears on card _____ Signature _____ Amount _____



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Queensborough Middle School
New Westminster, British Columbia
Grade 6 & 7
Grade 6 & 7

Starter Package

Qty.	Description
2	School Start 5 Index Dividers (Insertable tabs)
1	School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Yellow
1	School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Red
1	School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Navy Blue
1	Hilroy Graph Paper (1 cm) - 100 sheets
1	Bic Pens (medium blue) - 12 pack
1	Staedler Norica HB #2 Pencils (pre-sharpened) - 12 pack
2	School Start White Premium Eraser

Qty.	Description
2	Hilroy Graph Note Book (1 cm) - 80 pages
1	School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Green
1	School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Black
1	Hilroy Plain Looseleaf Paper - 200 sheets
1	Hilroy Exercise Book (10 7/8" x 8 3/8") - 80 pages
2	Uni-ball Vision Roller Pen 0.5 mm
3	Bic Highlighter (Assorted Colours)
1	Sheet of Personalized Student Labels

Cost of Starter Package \$ 34.97

Items required by teacher and to be ordered if you do not already have them

Description	Qty. Req'd	Price	Qty. Ordered	Subtotal
Hilroy Lined Looseleaf Paper - 150 sheets	3	1.92	_____	_____
School Start 1.5" Binder - Assorted Colours (O Ring)	2	3.56	_____	_____
Winnable SlideLock Plastic Envelopes - Assorted Colours	1	2.72	_____	_____
School Start Ruled Index Cards (3 x 5 - 100 Pack)	2	0.90	_____	_____
Crayola Original Fine Line Washable Markers - 12 pack	1	5.58	_____	_____
Sharpie Fine Point Permanent Marker (black)	3	1.09	_____	_____
Sharpie Ultra Fine Point Permanent Marker - Black	1	1.21	_____	_____
Staedler Triangular Coloured Pencils (pre-sharpened) - 24 pack	1	5.08	_____	_____
Fiskars 7" Scissors	1	5.24	_____	_____
Bic Wite-Out Correction Tape (5.08mm x 10.1 m)	1	3.43	_____	_____
School Start White School Glue - 140 ml	1	1.61	_____	_____
Elmer's Clear All Purpose Glue Stick - 40 g.	3	1.84	_____	_____
School Start Clear Plastic Ruler (Inches/cm) - 12"/30 cm	1	0.81	_____	_____
Staedler Xcellence Math Set (10 piece)	1	5.03	_____	_____
School Start Pencil Sharpener w/ Container	1	1.63	_____	_____
School Start Dual Power Scientific Calculator	1	10.82	_____	_____
Plastic Pencil Box (8.4" x 5.6" x 2.5")	1	2.27	_____	_____
Larousse English French Dictionary - Canadian Edition	1	10.37	_____	_____
Cascades Moka Facial Tissue - 100 sheets	2	1.57	_____	_____
Abus 78/50 Combination Lock	1	7.43	_____	_____
Maxell EB-95 Stereo Earbuds	1	5.15	_____	_____
Gym Strip - Purchased Elsewhere	1		_____	_____
Indoor Running Shoes for Gym (non marking) - Purchased Elsewhere	1		_____	_____

Larousse English/French Dictionary is for students taking French ONLY * Will need to purchase QMS Planner in September from the School for \$10.00
 Cost of Required Items (prices include tax) \$

Shipping \$ 3.50

Total Cost (Starter Package + Required Items + Shipping) (prices include tax) \$

Contact Info / Payment Manual Order Form Deadline: June 18th, 2020

Student Name (label to appear on supply box) _____ Phone Number _____ Email (summer contact info) _____

By Credit Card Payment: Visa Mastercard Cheque (made payable to: School Start)

Card Number _____ Expiry Date _____ \$ _____

Name as it appears on card _____ Signature _____ Amount



SchoolStart School Supplies:



Queensborough Middle School
New Westminster, British Columbia
Grade 8
Grade 8

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Starter Package

Qty.	Description
2	School Start 5 Index Dividers (insertable tabs)
1	School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Black
3	Hilroy Lined Looseleaf Paper - 150 sheets
2	School Start Ruled Index Cards (3 x 5 - 100 Pack)
2	Bic Pen (medium red)
2	Staedtler Norica HB #2 Pencils (pre-sharpened) - 12 pack
1	Sharpie Pocket Highlighter (Orange)
1	Sharpie Pocket Highlighter (Green)
2	School Start White Premium Eraser
1	Sheet of Personalized Student Labels

Qty.	Description
1	School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Green
1	School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Navy Blue
1	Hilroy Graph Paper (1 cm) - 100 sheets
1	Uni-ball Vision Roller Pen 0.5 mm
10	Bic Pen (medium blue)
1	Bic Highlighter (Yellow)
1	Sharpie Pocket Highlighter (Blue)
1	Sharpie Ultra Fine Point Permanent Marker - Black
1	School Start Reinforcements - 300

Cost of Starter Package	\$ 36.10
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Items required by teacher and to be ordered if you do not already have them

Description	Qty. Req'd	Price	Qty. Ordered	Subtotal
School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Yellow	1	0.45	_____	_____
School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Red	1	0.45	_____	_____
School Start Report Cover (Prongs) - Purple	1	0.45	_____	_____
School Start 3" Binder - Assorted Colours (O Ring)	2	5.34	_____	_____
Papermate Erasermate Pen (Black)	1	1.31	_____	_____
Papermate Erasermate Pen (Blue)	1	1.31	_____	_____
Crayola Original Fine Line Washable Markers - 12 pack	1	5.58	_____	_____
Staedtler Triangular Coloured Pencils (pre-sharpened) - 24 pack	1	5.08	_____	_____
Fiskars 7" Scissors	1	5.24	_____	_____
Elmer's Clear All Purpose Glue Stick - 40 g.	2	1.84	_____	_____
School Start Clear Plastic Ruler (inches/cm) - 12"/30 cm	1	0.81	_____	_____
Staedtler Twist On Round Pencil Sharpener with Container	1	3.21	_____	_____
School Start Dual Power Calculator	1	4.03	_____	_____
School Start 3 Ring Pencil Pouch (9.75" x 7.5")	2	2.97	_____	_____
Merriam Webster Thesaurus New Edition Easy to Use Alphabetical Order	1	9.27	_____	_____
Larousse English French Dictionary - Canadian Edition	1	10.37	_____	_____
Cascades Moka Facial Tissue - 100 sheets	1	1.57	_____	_____
Abus 78/50 Combination Lock	1	7.43	_____	_____
Maxell EB-95 Stereo Earbuds	1	5.15	_____	_____
Gym Bag	1	5.00	_____	_____
Gym Strip - Purchased Elsewhere	1		_____	_____
Indoor Running Shoes for Gym (non marking) - Purchased Elsewhere	1		_____	_____

Cost of Required Items	(prices include tax)	\$
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Shipping	\$ 3.50
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Total Cost (Starter Package + Required Items + Shipping)	(prices include tax)	\$
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Contact Info / Payment

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Card Number _____ Expiry Date _____ \$ _____
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