



Colonel By Secondary School

A Message from the Principal...

20 March 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This has been a most unusual March Break for everyone across our country. We are only a few days into our school closures and I already miss seeing our students in their classrooms, on stage, or in the gym. The young people you share with us every day are the reason we became educators so our empty school truly feels like it's missing its heart. Like you, I am worried about what the near future holds for the Colonel By Cougars, particularly the Class of 2020. I can assure you that school and District staff are working diligently on plans to help reduce the impact these extraordinary measures will have on our students' achievement and well-being.

As we work together to contain the spread of COVID-19, a number of questions and concerns continue to arise. While we await direction from the Ministry of Education and the OCDSB on many matters, I commit to providing you with the best information I can. To assist with this, I have created a FAQ document that can be accessed by clicking [here](#). This "living document" will be updated frequently. It contains information specific to Colonel By only so you are encouraged to monitor the [OCDSB website](#) and their [COVID-19 page](#) for District-wide information and messages as well.

On behalf of the entire Colonel By faculty, I wish you the very best in these difficult times. The more closely we follow advice and direction from our community leaders, the more quickly we will put this experience behind us.

Stay strong, Cougars! We'll see you soon.

Sincerely,

Steve Spidell, Principal

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