



Continuing Education Learning Centres Niagara Catholic District School Board

Tuesday, June 2, 2020

Re: Summer School 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

On May 19, the Ministry of Education extended school closures until the end of this school year. Minister of Education Stephen Lecce further advised school boards that summer school programs are to be delivered through remote teaching and learning, although he noted that could change if emergency measures are lifted in the summer, which would allow for transitioning to in-person learning.

As a result, Niagara Catholic's eLearning credit courses are not affected, and they will continue to run from July 6 – August 18, 2020 as originally planned.

The Ministry of Education and Medical Officers of Health will determine if it is safe for school boards to run summer programs in person. We were hopeful that schools would reopen in time for the start of summer school on July 6, and we planned to provide students with the opportunity to participate in summer school in-class courses. At this time, this option remains uncertain.

The Niagara Catholic District School Board has delayed the start of summer school in-class courses to July 27 - August 21. Students will be notified before the end of June if in-class courses will run.

If you have registered for an **in-class** summer school credit course, you have two options:

1. Wait to see if the summer school in-class classes are cancelled; or
2. Withdraw from the in-class course that your registered for and register for an online eLearning credit course.

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Withdrawing from an *in-class* credit course

Students who have registered for an **in-class** summer school course and no longer wish to participate are asked to complete a course withdrawal form immediately; available at www.summerschoolniagara.ca.

Registering for an eLearning course

Grade 8 students may register for **one** of the following eLearning courses:

BTT10 – Information and Communication Technology, Grade 9, Open
CGC1D - Issues in Canadian Geography, Grade 9, Academic
CGC1P – Issues in Canadian Geography, Grade 9, Applied
CHC2D - Canadian History since World War I, Grade 10, Academic
CHC2P - Canadian History since World War I, Grade 10, Applied
CHV2O - Civics and Citizenship, Grade 10, Open (must be taken with GLC2O Career Studies)
GLC2O – Career Studies, Grade 10, Open (must be taken with CHV2O Civics and Citizenship)

NOTE: Register for an eLearning course using Niagara Catholic’s MyBlueprint application available [HERE](#)

Grade 8 students who are currently registered to take an **in-class** course during Summer School may also register to take an eLearning course this summer. Students can still take any of the summer school “in-class” courses that you were registered for at your home secondary school during the regular school year or during the summer of 2021 (the Summer School physical education program is a great experience for our students).

Grade 9 – 12 students may register for up to **two** eLearning courses, provided they have the required prerequisites. Please visit the Summer School website at www.summerschoolniagara.ca for the list of eLearning courses being offered.

NOTE: Register for an eLearning course using Niagara Catholic’s MyBlueprint application available [HERE](#)

The due date for Summer School registration has been extended until Sunday, June 7, 2020.

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Remaining in an in-class course

If you chose to remain in an **in-class** course and then these classes are cancelled, a second term of Summer School online eLearning classes will be offered to these students that will run from July 20 – August 18, 2020.

Grade 9 – 12 Upgrading Secondary Credit Courses (eLearning Independent Study)

Students are eligible to take an upgrading course if they have already completed the course and passed. The upgrading course should cover the overall expectations of the course; however, students should be able to complete the course in half the time that would normally be required to complete a course since they will already be familiar with much of the content and can focus on the areas in which they need improvement.

The summer school teacher will review key concepts and overall expectations in a flexible, accelerated manner that allows students to demonstrate and be evaluated on their knowledge and skills. This opportunity will allow students to consolidate their learning and improve their marks. Students will receive only one credit for the course.

Upgrading credit courses will be offered through Summer School's eLearning Independent Study.

Dates for Summer School Upgrading Courses and registration information will be provided to families in the near future. Please visit the Summer School website at www.summerschoolniagara.ca for updates on Niagara Catholic's Summer School Upgrading program.

You can contact the Summer School Office at www.summerschoolniagara.ca/contact.

Sincerely,

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