



Monday, June 14, 2021

Dear Students, Parents and Guardians:

As we approach the final days of the school year, we know that year-end celebrations and graduations, as announced by the Premier and Minister of Education earlier this month, are at the top of mind for many.

Niagara Catholic has received guidance from both the Ministry of Education and Niagara Region Public Health on these events, and offers the following information:

## **GRADUATIONS**

In order to comply with the province-wide outdoor gathering limit of 10 people, we will continue to move forward with virtual graduations. In addition to this, schools will offer another form of recognition, in person, with considerations made for student population, outdoor space and other logistical factors unique to each school site. Your child's principal will provide more detailed information in the coming days. However, we can share this general information with you regarding the local and provincial guidelines and expectations with you at this time:

- Two guests are permitted per student
- Everyone must wear a mask
- Students and staff must maintain a safe physical distance from anyone outside their household
- All visitors participating in events where they and students will leave their cars must complete a COVID-19 Daily Self-Assessment Form prior to arriving at the school (families will receive this link by email)
- Printed copies and sanitized pens will be available for those who require hard copies
- Each visit will last no more than 15 minutes
- Each family will be provided with a designated arrival time
- There will be no access to indoor facilities (classrooms, gyms, office, lockers/cubbies or washrooms) for students or families
- Events will take place rain or shine

## **CLASSROOM EVENTS**

Classroom events for students in non-graduating years will be drive-by only (no photo opportunity). This drive-by visit will be the time when students pick up any items left behind at school and return any borrowed equipment, including any technology, charger cords and covers, if possible. Each visit will last no more than 10 minutes and each family will be provided with a designated arrival time. Your child's principal will provide you with further details.

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If you have borrowed Board-owned technology and your child requires it after their graduation or year-end recognition event, please work with your child's principal for an alternate date to return.

I know that this has been a challenging year on many fronts for our students and families, and am grateful for your ongoing commitment as we wind through the final days of the school year.

God bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cipriano". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "C".

Camillo Cipriano