

Communication to Parents/Guardians #4

Subject: Lunch time

Parents/Guardians:

To minimize the risk of spreading COVID-19, we are soliciting your support in helping to reinforce current Public Health guidelines with students when they leave the school at lunchtime or during their off-blocks. Supporting young adults to be social and safe during lunch hour when they are hanging out in community restaurants and in various public areas is presenting some challenges. We are seeing images on social media of our youth congregating in crowds while not wearing a mask after leaving the school premises over the lunch break. This may or may not pertain to your child, but it does not hurt to have a conversation as a reminder.

As was expressed in a prior communication, the school administration and staff are doing everything we can to keep everyone safe and healthy as we continue to reinforce COVID-19 protocols daily. For the most part, students are doing a great job of adjusting to the new practices over the lunch hour when they are in the building. They tend to be respectful and cooperative of the expectations. However, we need them to carry over these practices in all aspects of their school day, and beyond in order to keep themselves and everyone else safe and healthy.

Please help us with the following reminders as part of a morning routine.

- Avoid large gatherings as much as possible
- Practice physical distancing when outside
- Wear a non-medical mask when physically distancing is not possible
- Sanitize or wash hands frequently

The above reminders can help keep our children safe and reduce the risk for us all of us. Taking a few minutes to remind our teenagers that they have an important role to play in keeping our communities and schools safe will go a long way. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure!

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