



# Westmount Secondary School

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Dear Wildcats and Westmount Families,

Welcome Back! We hope your April Break was a time for rest, relaxation and good health. As you may know, our province has announced an Emergency Stay at Home Order. This includes pivoting our current learning environment to full-time remote and virtual learning. Students will be expected to learn from home.

To support the transition to this model, no instruction will take place on Monday, April 19, 2021. Teachers will be inviting students to a virtual MS Teams meeting during each of their designated period classes following the Rotation 2 schedule for a check-in as well as outline the school schedule and expectations as we head into the next rotation. Students are asked to attend these brief meetings as attendance will be taken.

Beginning Tuesday, April 20, 2021, Westmount will continue the Adaptive School Model schedule as outlined below virtually and remotely. All students are expected to attend as this will be an instructional day.

Classes will begin at 8:40 am and end at 3:15 pm.

**NEW**—Students will be following a Day 1 and Day 2 schedule as planning has been put in place to ensure minimal class time is lost should the stay at home order extend beyond the 6 weeks.

## **Adaptive School Model School Schedule—DAY 1**

8:40-11:10 am	Period 3 and 4 (remote, virtual learning)
11:10-12:45 pm	Lunch/Travel Time
12:45-1:35 pm	Period 5 (remote virtual learning)
1:35-2:25 pm	Period 1 (remote virtual learning)
2:25-3:15 pm	Period 2 (remote virtual learning)

### **Day 1 Dates:**

- April 20, 22, 26, 28, 30
- May 4, 6, 10, 12, 14, 18, 20, 25, 27, 31
- June 2, 4, 8, 10, 14, 16, 18, 22, 24



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## Adaptive School Model School Schedule—DAY 2

8:40-11:10 am	Period 5 (remote, virtual learning)
11:10-12:45 pm	Lunch/Travel Time
12:45-1:35 pm	Periods 3 and 4 (remote virtual learning)
1:35-2:25 pm	Period 1 (remote virtual learning)
2:25-3:15 pm	Period 2 (remote virtual learning)

### Day 2 Dates:

- April 21, 23, 27, 29
- May 3,5,7,11,13,17,19,21,26,28
- June 1,3,7,9,11,15,17,21,23,25

**Reminder--**Students in both Cohort A and Cohort B will be expected to log in for common learning opportunities every day regardless of cohort day. Teachers will share what this will look like for their classes. Attendance will be taken.

### Experiential Learning/Coop Placements:

Students currently in coop placements may continue their placements if it is safe to do so and if both student and employer are comfortable. An alternate plan will be put in place if the current coop placement cannot continue under the Emergency Order. Students are asked to connect with their coop teacher for further direction.

We know that this has been a school year full of changes to our regular routines. It has been challenging and at times difficult. Please know that our staff are here to support our students in any way we can. Students are encouraged to reach out to their subject teachers, guidance counsellors, leaning resource teachers or student success teacher if they would like additional supports, have any questions or would like to share their concerns.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We look forward to having our students back and reconnecting on Monday. Have a great weekend!

Sincerely,

Ms. Geeta Malhotra  
Principal