



# Fact Sheet

## SGDSB Virtual Secondary School: A guide for parents to maximize student success at home

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**“As students will be learning for home, the collaboration between parents and teachers will be important to the success of the students’ learning outcomes.”**

For students to be successful during remote learning, it is essential that the caregiver is directly involved in the structure, routine, communication and delivery of the learning.

From our experiences last spring with remote learning, we have outlined below some essential practices that helped to ensure success.

### **Best practices to support remote student learning:**

- ✓ Creating a routine with the child to follow such as: getting up at the same time each day, eating breakfast before class starts, gathering and setting up the computer and other materials prior to the start of the class as well as working out a schedule to balance work and school
- ✓ Ensuring that the child knows how to follow the schedule as outlined by the virtual teacher regarding subject work, assignments, class meetings etc.
- ✓ Ensuring the child attends every day
- ✓ Ensuring that assignments are completed and submitted on time
- ✓ Parents maintain regular contact with teachers to ensure student’s progression
- ✓ Check-in with child to ensure they are feeling supported and know how to access support. We are here to help and want to ensure a positive experience for all.
- ✓ Encourage conversations about their learning and experience
- ✓ Recognize their efforts to promote confidence and feelings of success. Learning can be difficult at times. Celebrate successes!

**“The key to success is consistency and positive habits.”**

Anonymous