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Dear Parents and Guardians,

There are no words to express how grateful we are to all our families for your continued support over the last year. We are almost there!! We know everyone deserves a much needed summer break to spend time with all of our cherished friends and family, before our return in September.

Moving into the 2024-2025 school year we are going to be experiencing some changes to accommodate our small rural school. Before viewing the remaining content of this letter, we strongly encourage you to watch this introductory video for next year:

<u>Dewberry School 2024/2025 Introductory Video</u>

<u>Dewberry School Land Based Agricultural Program Video</u> <u>FAQ Page for the Program</u>

As the video demonstrates, our teaching staff and core course teaching assignments will be as follows for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year are:

Mrs Becker: Private Kindergarten program and early childhood care

Miss Kern (Surina): 1/2/3 Homeroom, Elementary Literacy, 1/2/3 Numeracy, 1/2/3 Social Studies, 1/2/3 Science, 1/2/3 Options, and Optimum Learning Coach Lead

Mrs. Stevenson: 4/5/6 Homeroom, Elementary literacy, 4/5/6 Numeracy, 4/5/6 Social Studies, 4/5/6 Science, 4/5/6 Options, 7/8/9 CTF, and 7/8/9 Land Based Agricultural Program

Miss Peterson: 1/2/3 PEW, Elementary Literacy, 7/8/9 Health, 7/8/9 CTF, 7/8/9 Social Studies, 7/8/9 Land Based Agricultural Program, 10/20/30 CTS, and Optimum Learning Coach Lead

Mr. Lancaster: 7/8/9 ELA (through Land Based Agricultural Program), 10/20/30 CTS, 10/20/30 ELA, Green Certificate (poultry and greenhouse), Social Studies 10, Social Studies 20/30, and Inclusive Learning Lead

Mr. McLean: 4/5/6 PEW, 7/8/9 Math, 7/8/9 CTF, 7/8/9 Land Based Agriculture Program, Math 10C/3, Math 20-1/2/3, 10/20/30 Phys Ed, and Dewberry School Athletic Director

Mr. Comeau: School Principal, 7/8/9 Land Based Agriculture Program Coordinator, 7/8/9 Science, 7/8/9 Phys Ed, Science 10, Career and Life Management, 10/20/30 CTS, Biology 20, University Transfer Coordinator, Work Experience Coordinator, Registered Apprenticeship Program Coordinator, Academic Advisor, Students Online and Video Conference Supervisor





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In addition to the programs our school is offering, we rely on Distance Learning. The following courses are offered through Synchronous Learning next year"

Math 30-1/Math 30-2/Math 30-3 Semester 2 and Physics 20 Semester 1

Furthermore, you will have noticed there are several new additional programming items we are thrilled to offer. Here is a brief description of the innovative and creative implementations our school is proud to initiate:

- Flexible seating in our 1/2/3 classroom: Recognizing that the constraints of a desk can be difficult on littles that need to move, we are going to be offering some flexible seating options within our 1/2/3 room that include (but are not limited to): stools, couches, balls, wobble chairs, standing areas, and more!
- Intramural Competitions over lunch hour for 4/5/6, and Jr/Sr high: Mr. McLean and Mr. Comeau are going to make our lunch hours significantly more engaging for our students. Through the avenue of fun competition, we will be creating and hosting mini tournament style events for activities like dodgeball, floor hockey, 2vs2 basketball, badminton, and many other games!
- eSports club and team: With the Purchase of some high processing computers we are looking to expand upon our offerings of extra curricular programs. eSport is an ever growing community, and we will coordinate with our upper elementary, junior high, and high school to provide eSport training and competition with other schools in North America!
- 7/8/9 Land Based Agriculture Program: This is an extensive program that has been given tremendous thought from multiple educators. It is quite difficult to truly explain the impact and presence this program will have in our building with a few sentences, so here is our proposal document that was approved for implementation. Additional resources on this program will come shortly.

Our <u>Elementary</u> (though this is generic), <u>Junior High</u>, and <u>Senior High</u> timetables will be shared with our families again before the students return on September 3, 2024. The timetables will also be posted on our school website for your reference.

At Dewberry School, we encourage transparent communication between staff and parents. If you have any questions or concerns at any time, we encourage you to contact your child's teacher. If you have any questions or concerns in regards to our school, please feel free to contact administration.

By working together for success, we believe that we can have the most positive impact on the personal and professional development of each individual at Dewberry School.

Take care,

Mr. Tyler Comeau, Principal