



What is our focus right now?

Our current focus is on maintaining connections with our students and their families via phone calls and email and providing families with some resources they can use to continue learning in the classes students were enrolled in before school was cancelled.

Teachers have been working to collect resources that can be shared with students for home learning. Some of these are new and some had been used before school was cancelled. Links will be placed on the Harrison Trimble website and will be updated as we continue this process.

Families are encouraged to reach out to subject teachers for course specific questions. Email addresses for all staff can be found on the school's website.

This is a new reality for all of us and we are doing our best to get information and resources to parents as quickly as possible. Please be patient with us as we work through this process.

Can students come to the school to retrieve items?

No. At this time, schools are closed to everyone. Whenever students can come to the school to collect their belongings, there will be a clear plan with input from Public Health to ensure we are following all guidelines and are not putting anyone at increased risk.

If students have items that are necessary (eye glasses, medication, etc.), please reach out to Mrs. Lee Purves at lee.purves@nbed.nb.ca.

What is happening with provincial assessments?

All provincial assessments have been cancelled for the remainder of the school year except for the French Oral Proficiency testing. That will be happening later in an online or telephone format. More details to follow later.

I'm enrolled in an AP class. What is happening with those exams?

Students who are enrolled in an AP class, or AP audit/exam only, may or may not choose to write their exam. If they had indicated previously that they were going to write the exam, then they have been registered to do so and the fee(s) added to their School Cash account. At this point, all AP students have direct control over their choice to write the exam or not. If they choose to write, they may write on the date according to the AP calendar or write on the makeup date. If they do not choose to write, they will not be billed for the exam fee.

Grade 9 students were supposed to receive vaccines on March 17. Are they being offered?

Public Health has reached out to schools. Given the uniqueness of this situation, they will be offering vaccines to this year's grade 9 students during next year's vaccination clinic. If you feel

you need to have your child vaccinated sooner than the school will be able to provide, please reach out to Public Health or your family doctor. Students who receive a vaccination before the clinic at school will not receive them again.

What is the purpose of the work being provided?

The work that is available for every course is meant to continue students' learning in the subject area. While we understand that each family can do this at different levels, we want to provide every student with the opportunity to continue their learning. We strongly encourage students in all courses to keep any work they complete during this time.

What will students receive as final grade?

All students who are currently enrolled in any course will receive an "enrolled" (ENR) in their historical record. For students taking grade 11 or 12 courses, they may have the chance to earn "credit" (CR). The decision about this option is at the discretion of the teacher. Regardless, all students will be granted all courses for this semester and will be eligible to take subsequent course.

Full year courses will receive either ENR or CR as the final grade. Numerical grades that were on report cards in January will remain on the report card but will not be on transcripts.

All grade 9 and 10 courses will receive 'enrolled' and students will not have the option for 'credit' as these courses are not graduation credits.

All students who were in classes this semester when schools closed will receive an Enrolled and move on to the next level, whether it be graduation or to the next level in the upcoming school year. Schools will work with students to help close any existing gaps in the next school year.

What is the difference between 'credit' vs. 'enrolled'?

Enrolled (ENR): This notation will appear on the transcript denoting that the student was enrolled in a course second semester and the student was not able to do further learning to obtain a credit. All courses listed as enrolled count toward the total number of required graduation courses.

Credit (CR): This notation will appear on the transcript denoting that a student, as determined by their principal and subject teacher, has met the core curricular components of that course through assigned work and formative feedback from the teacher. There will be no mark assigned.

The benefit of getting a "Credit" versus an "Enrolled" on your transcript is that it will indicate to post-secondary institutions that core curricular outcomes were met.

How many 'credits' can I get this semester?

This depends on the student's course load and the availability of the 'credit' option. Some teachers may not be able to offer 'credits' due to their own circumstances at home while other courses cannot be offered 'credit' due to the nature of the course. As an example, co-op

education cannot be a credit, because students are not able to attend a work placement at this time. Other courses have a high level of hands-on outcomes that cannot be assessed remotely.

The province recommends that students do not attempt more than 2 – 3 'credits' for this semester.

How do I get a 'credit'?

If a student wishes to get a 'credit' in a course, we are asking they let the teacher of that course know by April 24. At this time, teachers are still working out criteria for 'credit' as well as whether a course will be offered so please be patient with their response.

A list of credit courses is available on the school's website.

Who decides if a 'credit' option is offered for a course and is there a maximum number of 'credits' I can earn this semester?

Teachers, in conjunction with their Principal, will decide if a Credit option is offered. Teachers will need to determine if it is practical to attempt a Credit option, and Principals must determine what options work best for their school's situation.

It is recommended that students aim for only 2 or 3 Credit options, given the challenges posed by at-home learning.

What are the criteria for a student to be awarded a 'credit'?

It is at the discretion of the teacher and principal to determine the core curricular components and if the student has demonstrated competency through assigned work and teacher feedback.

Will students seeking 'credit' receive different work than what is offered to everyone in the course?

Teachers who have decided to offer students a 'credit' option for their courses will offer some form of instruction beyond the posting of general materials like other home learning options. Teachers will have the flexibility to determine what is the most appropriate form of instruction for their courses. There will also need to be some form of students demonstrating their competency in the subject area as determined by the teacher.

Students can be expected to work on this course beyond the recommended weekly 2.5 hours of other home learning options.

What if a course I wish to receive a 'credit' in is not being offered for 'credit'?

Every school in NB and across Canada will face challenges with respect to course offerings during this pandemic. All students with 12 'credits' and on track to graduate as of the end of January 2020 will graduate this year. Providing a 'credit' option, where available, gives students the opportunity to show completion of the core outcomes for that course. It is not intended to disadvantage those students who cannot at this time.

Can I still graduate if I have 'enrolled'?

Yes, as long as you were on track to graduate when school was cancelled. The 'enrolled' designation will still be counted toward total credits needed for graduation. This applies to both the regular New Brunswick High School Diploma and the Adult High School Diploma.

On-track refers to any grade 12 students who had at least 12 Credits at the end of the first semester, January 2020. An exception would be a student who had 11 Credits in January but was taking six courses second semester to achieve 17 Credits.

All grade 11 and 12 courses students are currently enrolled in will be counted toward graduation for future years as well.

Will I be able to get a FIT certificate or a French Immersion certificate if some of the courses are 'enrolled'?

Yes. These courses will still be counted toward these additional graduation certificates. If you have questions, reach out to your homeroom teacher or guidance counsellor.

How will post-secondary institutions treat a 'credit' vs. 'enrolled'?

That is a question to ask the post-secondary institution. Depending on program of study, they may ask for certain courses. Their answer may help prioritize what 'credits' students attempt.

Will Adult High School Diploma be able to get a pass on their requirements like the other students?

Students who are enrolled in the Adult High School Diploma will have the same options for their courses.

Transcripts will indicate the student was "Enrolled" in current semester courses. If a student continues in their learning and demonstrates the competencies in the core areas of the course, at the discretion of the teacher and principal, "Credit" can be assigned on the student's transcript. Post Secondary Education Training and Labour has indicated that they will accept either "Enrolled" or "Credit."

How will this affect Scholarships and Awards?

Schools will determine their own methods of awarding scholarships and class standing. External scholarships, including post-secondary awards, will be determined by the organizations that award the scholarships.

Can I speak to my school's Guidance Staff about post-secondary planning, or other concerns I have?

Yes. There is a dedicated phone line for students and families to call:

- Harrison Trimble and Tantramar Phone: 962-0211
SchoolCounsellingTeam3@nbed.nb.ca

Callers will reach a member of our Education Support Service team who will ask about the nature of the request and then have the Guidance Counsellor or Guidance Teacher from your school return your call. The phones will be answered Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Students and parents are also encouraged to contact their guidance counsellor directly.

Mrs. Ross - Students with last names A - F; Sharon.ross@nbed.nb.ca

Mrs. MacCormack - Students with last names G - M; Meaghan.maccormack@nbed.nb.ca

Mrs. Babineau - Students with last names N - Z; Christine.babineau-hall@nbed.nb.ca