



E. L. Crossley Secondary School Return to School Information

Welcome Back Cyclone Families,

The start of the school year is fast approaching, and we have been busy getting ready for your arrival. Starting on September 7th, students will be returning to the halls of ELC, reconnecting with friends, spending time in class and getting to know new teachers. We look forward to welcoming you back!

Please take some time to review the student handbook as it will help you prepare for your first day back and includes important procedural information and details. For those students who have opted for virtual learning, additional information will be sent via the eLearning coordinator.

bell schedule

Starting this September, we will be back out full school day, which will run from 8:15 – 2:10, but our schedule will be modified to a two-period day. In addition to maintain minimal contacts, ELC will be having a Junior (Grades 9 & 10) and a Senior (Grade 11 & 12) lunch. Please review the schedules below.

Grade 9 & 10

	Week A	Week B
8:05am	Warning Bell	Warning Bell
8:10am	O' Canada & Announcements	O' Canada & Announcements
8:10am – 10:50am	Period 1	Period 3
10:50am – 11:35am	Junior Lunch	Junior Lunch
11:35am – 2:10pm	Period 2	Period 4
2:10pm	Dismissal	Dismissal

Grade 11 & 12

	Week A	Week B
8:05am	Warning Bell	Warning Bell
8:10am	O' Canada & Announcements	O' Canada & Announcements
8:10am – 10:50am	Period 1	Period 3
10:55am – 12:00am	Period 2	Period 4
12:00am – 12:45pm	Senior Lunch	Senior Lunch
12:45pm – 2:10pm	Period 2	Period 4
2:10pm	Dismissal	Dismissal

Accessing Your Timetable

- [How to Access Your Schedule in Aspen](#)
- If you have forgotten your DSBN password [Student Password Reset](#)
- If you have forgotten your DSBN login - contact your school directly
- For new students to DSBN, parents/guardians would have received an email during the week of August 23rd with their login and temporary password

Transportation Inquires

- If you have any transportation inquires visit nsts.ca
- If you declined bus transportation during the 2021/22 school year you must visit nsts.ca to register for this year.

Registration Forms

- This year, we will be completing registration forms where possible online
- You will be receiving a message through School Cash Online this week with forms requiring your completion.
- A Student Activities Fee of \$40.00 will be required this year and can be paid through Cash Online.

Prevalent Medical Conditions

Prevalent Medical
Condition Forms

- If your student is in need of a plan of care please visit [Prevalent Medical Conditions](#) form on our website to complete the forms.
- The following medical conditions are included, Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Diabetes, Epilepsy, Authorization of Provision of Medicine or General need.
- Once form is complete please email them to Lori May (Lori.May@dsbn.org)

Return of Loaned Items

- On the first day of school please return all Chromebooks, MiFi, textbooks, and any other school items that you borrowed. There will be drop off points when you enter the school. Please ensure that all items are bagged with you name written on the bag.
- If you are not returning to our school, please call the school and schedule an appointment to drop your items off. Contact our secretary, Lori May at 905 892 2635 or lori.may@dsbn.org

Supports Available

Grab and Go Breakfast Program

- Individually packaged items will be available as you enter the school

DSBN Mental Health Guide for Parents

- [Parents' Guide: Mentally Healthy Return to School](#)

Guidance

- For students requesting a timetable change, visit the Student Services page at elcrossley.dsbnschools.org

Social Worker

- If you would like to request an appointment with Carleen Cizmar, our Social Worker. Use this link [Social Worker Appointment Request](#)

Need School Supplies

- Please contact our Guidance Teacher, Mrs. Gibson. You can call the school, 905 892 2635 or you can send an email to her at michelle.gibson@dsbn.org

Niagara Public Health

- Parents and other community members to the general COVID-19 Info-Line, available Monday to Friday from 9:15 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, 9:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.
 - 905-688-8248 or Toll-free: 1-888-505-6074 press 7, then press 2
 - Parents can also visit our Niagara Parents Social Media accounts for updated information. [Niagara Parents Facebook](#), [Niagara Parents Twitter](#), [Niagara Parents Live Chat](#)
- Main COVID-19 webpage found at www.niagararegion.ca/health/covid-19/

What to Bring on the First Day of School

1. Complete the COVID Self-Assessment at home before you leave for school, and stay home if you are unwell
2. Make sure you have a mask and a container to place it when you are eating
3. Any loaned items to return to the school
4. Bring a refillable water bottle with your name on it
5. Bring food/snacks that you can eat during your lunch break
6. Bring a binder, paper and writing materials
7. Appropriate clothing required for the day.



Health and Safety When Attending School

When you arrive at school

- Make sure you have completed a COVID assessment **before arriving to school**

- Ensure you are wearing your mask.
- Enter the appropriate door see the Arrival & Dismissal section below.
- Maintain physical distancing and follow all signage, there cannot be any congregating in halls or bathrooms
- Use hand sanitizer when entering the building and frequently throughout the day
- Head straight to class when you arrive to school. (15 minutes before the bell time)

Arrival & Dismissal

- Access to the school will occur 15 min prior to the bell (7:55am) all students arriving prior to that must wait outside. Dress for the weather.
- To avoid congestion at the school, please enter and exit at your designated area. All other access points will be unavailable.
 - **Bussed students** must remain seated on their bus until it arrives at the main doors. Once in the building students should go to their lockers and then immediately to their morning classroom.
 - **Non-bussed students** who are being dropped off or walking will enter through the gym doors and should not arrive before 7:55 am. Once in the building students should go to their lockers and then immediately to their morning classroom.
 - Guardians who drive their children to school are asked to follow the signs, drop & pick up their children in the designated area to the left side of gym wall. There are two lanes to keep traffic moving safely. Students enter the building through the front gym foyer doors.
 - E.L. Crossley student drivers may park along the either side of the field but not in front of the building. This must remain open for bus transportation. Student drivers who park on the entry side (left side) enter the building through the front gym foyer doors. Student drivers who park on the exit side (right side) enter through the technology doors.
- The back parking lot is designated for staff parking only.
- All drivers must yield to the busses.
- In order to adhere to social distancing guidelines stairwells will be designated based on classroom number. – ELC has three stairwells (A – Green, B – Pink, & C – Yellow).
 - **Stairwell A – UP STAIRWELL** - Used for Rooms 201-207, 301-307 & All rooms on the 4th floor.
 - **Stairwell B – DOWN STAIRWELL** – Used by all floors
 - **Stairwell C – UP STAIRWELL** – Used for Rooms 208 – 215, 308 - 318

How to Stay Informed?

- Review DSBN Board website www.dsbm.org
- Regularly check your email for communications from the school. If you have changed your personal email please email this information to our secretary, Nicki Sullivan at nicki.sullivan@dsbn.org
- Follow our school on social media: Twitter @janice_sargeant, @grahamteach Instagram @janice.sargeant @graham_teach @elcrossleystudentcouncil
- Contact the school at 905 892 2635 or email elc@dsbn.org



Will the Cafeteria be open?

- Yes! The cafeteria will be open **starting September 13th** for both the Junior and Senior lunches. In addition, our breakfast program will also be offering grab and go snack in the morning.

Will I have access to a locker this year?

- Yes! Lockers will be available to all students to keep their personal items safe throughout the day. Lockers will be assigned by your period one teacher on the first day of class and must be locked.
- Please note that you are responsible for bringing a combination lock for your locker. They will also be available for purchase in the main office for \$12.00

Will there be extracurricular activities this year?

- Yes! There will be opportunities this year to participate in a variety of extracurricular activities. Please listen to the morning announcements for more details!
- A great way to involve yourself in the school community is through extracurriculars!
- Check out our website for the daily announcements.

I am having difficulty in a course, what should I do?

- Your first step is to contact your teacher. Teacher contact information is located on the ELC website.
- You can also access our Online Learning Supports on our school website. [CLICK HERE](#) There is contact information for our Special Education Team, Student Success, and Guidance

What if we change our decision about the mode of learning selected during the semester?

- Remote learning decisions have closed. Please contact the Principal should you have any specific questions.

But I still have questions?

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- If you still have questions, please have a look at our website (elcrossley.dsbm.org) or feel free to reach out to the school at 905-892-2635.