

Important Dates

Sept 6	First day for students
Sept 11	School photos
Sept 20	Meet the staff- 5:30-6:30pm
Sept 22	PD Day - No classes for students
Oct 2	No Classes- Truth & Reconciliation Day Observed
Oct 27	PD Day - No classes for students
Nov 14-17	Report cards distributed
Nov 24	PD and Parent-teacher meetings - no classes for students
Dec 21- Jan 2	Holiday Break - Classes resume Jan 3
Jan 2	PD Day- no classes for students
Jan 25-30	Culminating Assessments GR 10-12
Jan 31	Assessment & Evaluation-No classes for students
Feb 5-9	Report cards distributed
Mar 11-15	Spring Break
Apr 15-18	Report cards distributed
Apr 19	PD & Parent teacher meetings - no classes for students
Jun 19-25	Culminating Assessments GR 10-12
Jun 26-27	Assessment and Evaluation Days -No classes for students
June 27	Graduation 3pm
Jun 28	Report cards distributed

A complete list of HERH's 2023-2024 Calendar of Events is available online. Other events will be posted on HERH'S webpage as well as social media sites. Notices will be sent through School Messenger to the email addresses provided by guardians.

Principal's Message

Clear communication is vital for parents, students, and the school community to work together for academic success for all Hants East Rural High students. With this in mind please keep a copy of our communication plan along with the communication plans sent home by individual teachers. This document provides you an overview of how we will stay in contact with you, and you with us. Please feel free to call, write or drop by anytime if you have a concern.

Administration

Leanne Searle, Principal
Derek Dykstra, Vice Principal Gr. 9 & 11
Trudi Isenor, Vice Principal Gr. 10 & 12

School Advisory Council

HERH's School Advisory Council meets 5-6 times each year. The first meeting is scheduled for September 19th at 5:30 and at that meeting dates and times will be set for the year. Agenda items should be given to Administration by the first of each month. The public is welcome to attend.



2023-2024 Communication Plan

Hants East Rural High School

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 Milford, N.S. B0N 1Y0
 Phone: (902) 758-4620
 Attendance line: (902) 758-4622
 Fax: (902) 758-4626
 Web site: <http://herh.ccrce.ca>

Assessment and Evaluation

Teachers plan, assess and evaluate student learning using the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development expected learning outcomes. Expected learning outcomes are statements describing what students are to know, show and do in each subject/course.

Teachers maintain regular communication with students and parents regarding students' learning, progress and well-being.

Parental/Guardian Concerns

If you have questions regarding student progress (including a review of student assessment results) and /or well-being, we have established guidelines for having your questions addressed at the school level. The following is a list of recommended steps for you to follow to ensure your child's needs are met:

1. Talk to your child.
2. Contact your child's teacher.
3. Contact the school vice-principal or principal.
4. If the concern cannot be adequately addressed in steps 1 to 3, the school may arrange a meeting with the parent, teacher(s) and administration.

A process has been put in place to ensure parents/guardians receive prompt response to questions or concerns that cannot be resolved at the school level. If you feel an issue has not been resolved, the [CCRCE Parental Concern Referral Form](#) is available through the main office or on the https://www.ccrce.ca/parents_guardians/questions_concerns of the CCRCE website.

Communication Methods

School wide communication is shared through our school website, school messenger, parent email, social media sites, and student handbook.

Periodically HERH will contact parents with key pieces of information via the School Messenger System.

Individual student information is shared through emails, phone calls, meetings, and the PS Student-Parent Portal. The PS Student-Parent Portal is a secure site that allows parents to access their child's in-progress marks as well as attendance information. If you require a username or password to log into the portal, please contact the school.

Expectations for Student Success at School

Students are responsible for participating in their learning. Students are encouraged to discuss with their teacher what they have learned and what they have yet to learn. Discussion may also include due dates, negotiate extensions and re-submitting work. The process for incomplete assessments will follow the ***EECD Process for Classroom Assessment Due Dates and Extensions.***

Parent/Guardian Access to Powerschool

With PowerSchool Parents/Guardians will be able to access their son/daughter's marks, assignments, homework, and attendance by logging on to a secure site with a username and password.

Parents/Guardians: If you do not have your access information, please email Kari - blaikiekl@ccrce.ca or Sherri - crowellsa@ccrce.ca

Attendance and Reporting a Student Absence

It is the responsibility of parents and guardians to ensure that students are in classes and to notify the school when students are absent. If a student is absent, parents/guardians should contact Kari Blaikie by phone (902-758-4622 - leave message) or email blaikiekl@ccrce.ca, indicating the student's name, the reason for the absence, and the anticipated length of the absence. Parent's have five days to excuse their son/daughter. HERH follows the Provincial Student Attendance and Engagement Policy.

<https://www.ednet.ns.ca/docs/provincialstudentattendanceandengagementpolicy.pdf>

NS EECD Homework Policy

The purpose of homework is to practice and reinforce what has been taught in school. Students are encouraged to complete homework as assigned. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to the classroom teacher.

School Wide Support for Students

Information about the process of identification, assessment, referral and program planning for students through the Student Planning Team.

All teaching staff will work together to provide the necessary support for students by providing opportunities for increased student success. At HERH, we will provide students with the following supports: Extra help/time for missed assessments, Learning Support Teams (Counselors, Learning Support Teachers), Student Support Workers (Indigenous/ANS), Learning Center , Schools Plus , Adolescent Outreach , Youth Health Center, Future Works.