

FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY

DECEMBER 2020

STUDENT SUCCESS PLAN

This is year two of our student success plan.

Math: To improve students' ability to problem solve and communicate their understanding and thinking in mathematics.

Literacy : To improve student achievement in the areas of organization and language use.

Well- Being: To improve student well- being by enhancing connections with families and community.

Thank you for the conversations during our recent parent teacher meetings. Our staff looks forward to working with our students, parents/guardians and the school community in the New Year. Your continued support with your child(ren) is valued as we work together to maximize student learning opportunities and achievement.

May peace and happiness fill your holiday season!

祝节日和平快乐！

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Que estas fiestas estén llenos de paz y felicidad

Пусть Ваш дом наполнится счастьем и добром в эти праздничные дни!

Нехай Ваш будинок наповниться щастям і добром в ці святкові дні!

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Joyeuses Fêtes

SCENT & NUT AWARE

There are students and staff who have severe allergic reactions to peanut butter, peanuts, nuts and other food products. Therefore, these food items cannot be at school. Many people are very sensitive to scent. It is important for our students, staff and school visitors to be as scent free as possible.

School/Bus Cancellations and Delayed Openings

The Halifax Regional Centre for Education takes great care when making the decision to cancel schools and/or buses, or delay the opening of school, in the event of severe or inclement weather. When these situations occur, the information is posted on the HRCE's website at www.hrce.ca, on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/HRCE_NS](https://twitter.com/HRCE_NS), recorded at 902-464-INFO (4636) and communicated to local radio stations. Families can also subscribe to receive notice of cancellations and delayed openings by e-mail or text message by following the link on the front page (left side) of the HRCE website.

If weather conditions warrant, the HRCE could implement a delayed opening. Delayed openings would be considered when a weather event has concluded but snow clearing or other operations require additional time. Delayed opening may also be considered when the school is experiencing an issue such as a power outage or loss of water and additional time is required to prepare the school to open. If this was to occur, school and Pre-Primary would be delayed by two hours. In our school, this means school would start at 10:20



AM. Pre-Primary would start two hours later than the regular time. If school buses are operating, the expectation will be that students are picked up two hours later than their regularly assigned time pending any weather-related delays. Our lunch and dismissal times will remain at their regularly scheduled times. The weather in Nova Scotia is unpredictable so it's always a good idea for families to have a back-up plan for child care when school is cancelled. To learn more about the process on how decisions regarding closures and cancellations are made, visit: <https://www.hrce.ca/about-our-schools/parents/inclement-weather> .

ACTS OF KINDNESS

Here is some information for families that may need a little extra support this Christmas through the Salvation Army. Please call 902 422-1598 and someone will assist you. Please ensure you have your NS Health Cards on hand available during your call for yourselves and your children. The Salvation Army will provide a gift card to purchase groceries for Christmas dinner and or gifts (or a gift card) for your children. Deadline to apply is no later than December 7th. The pick up arrangement 'may' be at the old Sears Bargain Basement off of Chebucto Rd in Halifax (right behind the Mumford Rd Walmart). Another number to call is 902 457-2849 (Christmas Registry line) in case the other number is busy. Feel free to call from 9 am to 3 pm Monday to Friday.

For families that reside in the Fairview/Clayton Park area that are in need of food support, you can call 902 444-8336. Support is provided in a form of a gift card of your choice to the Superstore, Sobeys or Giant Tiger (every 3 months). Two volunteers will drive to your home and drop off the gift cards to you.

LOCAL VEGGIE BUNDLES



The FREE Square Roots produce model has worked very well since the beginning of April. Because of generous donations, we at Square Roots Fairview/Clayton Park were able to provide produce for FREE on a weekly basis until the end of July.

To help sustain this valuable program we have to **return to a pay program**. This program revolves around buying local to avoid produce waste. Because we will be ordering produce based on need, you should know that **this program is for EVERYONE**. We order based on the number of bundles requested.

You will be able to sign up for a bundle and then send an e-transfer for payment. If you or someone you know is in need of this support, please use the provided link on the Square Roots Fairview Clayton Park page to request a *FREE bundle of farm fresh vegetables*.

Pick up will take place on **Saturday, November 28th** from 10:00am - 11:00am at the Salvation Army - Fairview Citadel, 50 Gesner Street, Fairview. **Remember to bring your reusable bags!!** Delivery will begin at 10am on Saturday and continue throughout the afternoon.

Please note: The next pick up will be December 12th

COVID-19 public health protocols will be followed. When picking up your bundle, please maintain proper social distancing practices.

Square Roots is a social enterprise which redirect surplus farm produce to community members at an affordable rate. Visit squarerootsfood.ca for more information.

Made possible with support from:

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS - DECEMBER 23rd to JANUARY 3rd

JANUARY 4th – FIRST DAY BACK