

Dear Grade 12 students,

This time away from seeing one another each day has made us appreciate what we have in our school community. While we miss seeing you, we are inspired by the creativity and flexibility of staff, students and parents as we find new ways of learning together. The EMCS community is strong and remains connected! Below you will find a few updates specifically for you, our grade 12 students.

Important Scholarship & Bursary Update

- Any students applying for scholarships and bursaries must watch the following instructional video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ATz8s5BpLko&feature=youtu.be>
- Due to COVID 19 precautions, applications for SCHOOL and LOCAL awards are to be submitted by email as a PDF (**a single PDF for each application package**) OR as a myBlueprint Portfolio. Instructions are in the above video and on the scholarships & bursaries section of the EMCS website.
- Those unable to submit applications for SCHOOL and LOCAL awards electronically may turn in paper application packages to Mr. Phipps at the school **by appointment only** on April 24 or May 4. We are asking that parents drop off applications whenever possible.
- Instructions for submitting applications (including how your parent can book an appointment to drop off paper applications) are on the EMCS website at: <http://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/students/grade-12-information/scholarship-bursaries-student-loans/submitting-scholarship-bursary-applications-in-2020/>
- Applications must be complete, with all components in the correct order.
- Applications submitted as PDF documents must be emailed to Mr. Phipps. A separate email message is required for each application package, with your name and the name of the scholarship/bursary in the subject line of the message. Each application package must be in the form of a SINGLE PDF.

Graduation Recognition

We know that many of you are feeling concerned about what graduation ceremonies and events will look like. We have proud traditions at EMCS that extend beyond the ceremony, including recognizing the role our elementary schools have played in the educational journey of our grade 12s, and staff appreciation. We are still waiting for more information from the provincial health authority before we can move forward with planning, and appreciate your patience. Our Grad Council continues to connect with Ms. Williams and may wish to share ideas they have in the event that we need to look at altering the way our graduates end their year. While it is too early to predict what events will look like, we will continue to look very closely at what unfolds over the next while.

Post-Secondary Institution Selections for 2020 Graduates

If you have applied for post-secondary school, ensure you have arranged to give post-secondary schools access to your transcript on the Student Transcripts Service website. More information and instructions are available on the EMCS website at: <http://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/students/student-transcript-service-sts/>

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