

Dear Grade 12 Students,

First of all, we want you to know that all of the staff at EMCS are thinking of you. We are extremely proud of what you have accomplished, and know that you must be feeling a sense of loss about the changes to your senior year. We are also committed to continuing to support and guide you in your learning as you complete your final courses.

It's important for you to know that although the way in which we recognize your achievements may look different this year, many things will not change. Our sentiments regarding the amazing accomplishments of our graduating Class of 2020 remain unchanged. Neither does the fact that you are all individuals of integrity and skill with bright futures ahead of you. You will continue to be part of the EMCS community. We will always be here to cheer you on - now, as you graduate and into the future.

As you are aware, the School District has hired a video production company to prepare virtual commencement for EMCS. This celebration will be shared at the end of June in a livestream. Each student will still receive their cap and gown, graduation envelope and folder – more details about picking these up from the school will be released in June. The money that was raised towards grad will ensure that no student will need to pay for any of these graduation items. Ms. Williams and Mr. Powell will work with the Graduation Council on the best use of any remaining funds. Prom will, unfortunately, be cancelled. Like many other events worldwide, this gathering will not be possible under the current conditions.

We are all shaped by how we respond and interact with our experiences as we journey through life. There is no doubt that you, as part of our graduating class of 2020, are experiencing an absolutely unique experience. While it may be challenging, I have confidence that you will meet this challenge with grace, resilience, and strength.

Warmest regards,
Ms. Fulton