

August 29, 2022

Ama sah, Good afternoon Parkside Parents and Students,



On behalf of the Parkside Secondary staff I would like to welcome students and their families to the 2022-2023 school year. ***If your teenager is not planning on returning to Parkside, please call (250-635-5778) and leave a message.*** In the meantime, enjoy what is left of summer and know that we are working hard to ensure a safe and supportive learning environment for all students during the 2022-2023 school year at Parkside Secondary. All adults and students entering our school must wash their hands. Face masks are encouraged and available in the main office. If you have any questions or concerns please reply to this email or call **(250-635-5778)** and leave a message so we can respond as soon as possible.



**Enhanced Student Safety:** This year every Parkside all students will have their own personal desk shield as a safety precaution. For more details about this product (see picture on the left) refer to the following You Tube video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yXzDqgS7Kmw> .



**Family Meetings:** Staff will be contacting families to arrange an enrolment meeting with students and their parents/guardians from September 7<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>. At this meeting courses will be determined and supports will be discussed so an educational program is developed that best meets the needs of each student. Expectations for students and safety precautions will also be discussed. **Students must attend this family meeting with their parent/guardian before being allowed to participate in classes at Parkside.**



**First Day of Classes:** Please note that the first day of regular classes for Parkside students is Monday September 19<sup>th</sup> . Refer to the attachments “Parkside Bell Schedule” and “School Calendar 2022-23” for our school’s daily schedule and dates when school will not be in session.



**School Supplies:** All students in grades 8-10 or any student needing to complete PE 10 to graduate must have a pair of indoor shoes for PE classes and a change of clothes (sweatpants/shorts and a t-shirt). A list of basic school supplies has been attached.



**School Bus Info:** This year any student travelling to Parkside on a school bus **MUST COMPLETE a BUS REGISTRATION FORM** available in our main office. Refer to the attachment “Bus Schedules” for school bus Pick Up and Drop Off times.



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