

At-Home Learning Information & Pre-Registration

St. Paul Education is pleased to offer an at-home learning option for the 2021-22 school year. Please see the outline below. Note that this program is under development, if you have additional questions at this time please do not hesitate to contact our office at 780-645-3323.

NOTE: Online pre-registration for at-home learning must be received prior to the end of the day on Tuesday, August 24. Schools are open Monday, August 23 if you have any questions.

At-Home Learning

- At-home learners will be part of a learning group with an assigned online teacher.
- Programming has been tailored to each individual school context.
 - Students from Racette, St. Paul Elementary, Glen Avon, Mallaig, Elk Point Elementary, FG Miller will receive programming from a centralized group of teachers.
 - Students from Ashmont, New Myrnam, SPAEC, Regional, Heinsburg, Two Hills, and Two Hills Mennonite will receive programming from their home school.
- Class groupings will be dependent on student numbers.
- Students will follow the regular St. Paul Education school calendar.
- St. Paul Education is aware of the challenges in accessing the Internet in some rural/remote communities. Hard-copy course packages will be developed as required.
- Grades 1-6: Teachers will teach provincial learning outcomes with a focus on core subjects. Time expectations will take into consideration the developmental age of the students.
- <u>Grades 7-9</u>: Teachers will teach provincial learning outcomes with a focus on core subjects. Time expectations will more closely follow a regular school day.
- Grades 10-12: Students who choose at-home learning will have access to off-site work experience and all core subjects through a combination of live instruction and recorded lessons. Some courses will be offered through an alternative form of delivery. Some courses will not be available for at-home learning. Contact your home school for more information.
- Because of the nature of French immersion instruction, it will not be available for at-home learning.
- At home learning does not include participation in extracurricular activities such as sports, school events, assemblies, etc.
- All relevant school fees will apply.
- Parents with an interest in traditional home-schooling for the 2021-22 school year should

- contact the Myrnam Outreach and Home Education Centre.
- Students who receive specialized student support services such as inclusive education support, English Language Learners, or counselling support may continue to receive access to support services, though they may look different than previous in-person opportunities.

At-Home Learning Expectations

- Parents must:
 - o assist and support students in using the technology required to participate,
 - o ensure that students are on time and have necessary materials on hand,
 - o read and follow the 2021-22 At-Home Learning Code of Conduct
- Students are required to connect with their teacher every regular school day and attendance will be taken.
- While students receive daily instruction from their teacher, at-home learners will require consistent and active parent involvement and assistance to be successful.
- Students in the At-Home Learning Program will be required to participate in teacher assessment, which could include various forms of assessment activities, including provincial achievement tests and diploma exams. Students may be required to write some exams on site.
- Each student will need to supply their own device and have access to wi-fi
 (Chromebook, laptop, or desktop computer), with a working camera and microphone.
 Phones and tablets are not recommended. Contact the principal of your home school if
 you have any concerns or issues with technology.
- St. Paul Education is aware of the challenges in accessing the Internet in some rural/remote communities. Hard-copy course packages will be developed as required.
- Teachers may also provide a list of additional school supplies.
- IMPORTANT: In the interest of supporting student learning, students will not be given the
 option throughout the year for multiple transfers between at-home learning and in-person
 learning. Generally, one request to transfer between the At-home Learning Program and
 in-school learning will be accommodated. Students will only be able to switch between
 at-home and in person learning at the end of January (January 31, 2022).

How to Register for At-Home Learning

- Submit this <u>At-Home Learning Pre-Registration</u> form. If you experience any difficulties with the form please contact your home school or Central Office at 780-645-3323.
- Pre-registration for at-home learning must be received prior to the end of the day on Tuesday, August 24. Requests after this date will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- Principals will be collecting completed at-home learning pre-registration forms.
- Students and families who have pre-registered for at-home learning will receive a full registration package from their home school.

- Students and families who have been registered for at-home learning will be contacted by their at-home learning teacher by the end of the day on Friday, September 3. Additional relevant information will be shared at this time.
- At-home learning instruction will begin on Tuesday, September 7.