

Eastdale Secondary School

Return to School Information

September 2020



Welcome back! We are looking forward to supporting you as we embark on a new school year and a new structure for learning.

The school year will start on September 8th for all students who have a period 1 class, whether you are in person (Cohort A, Cohort B) or at home (Online). Cohort C students (SSTC program) will be attending daily.

Important:

- All students are asked to log in to their student email to receive instructions from their teacher.
- Students who are attending in person are asked to bring a device, either their own or one that was loaned to them by the school.

Return to School Details For Those Who Have Chosen In-Person Adaptive Learning

Students who have selected this opportunity will be attending school in cohorts and will be completing the rest of their learning online.

Our bell times

- Start of classes 9:55 AM
- End of classes 2:05 PM

September Calendar

[Cohort A September Schedule](#)

[Cohort B September Schedule](#)

[Cohort SSTC September Schedule](#)

[Cohort Online September Schedule](#)

Study Hall

- A supervised study hall from 8:10 AM until 9:40 AM in the Library
- It is available for bussed students and other families who contact us in advance. Please call the school 905-735-7458 to notify us if your son or daughter must be dropped off early.

Online Learning

- Students will be using D2L Brightspace and/or Google Classrooms to access their online classrooms and need to regularly monitor their school email for reminders and notifications
- It is important to participate as you would on a regular school day and complete your learning to stay on track
- Teachers will be providing you with more specific details about your period 1 class on September 8th, please make sure to login and be ready to get to work!

Access to Timetable and Cohort

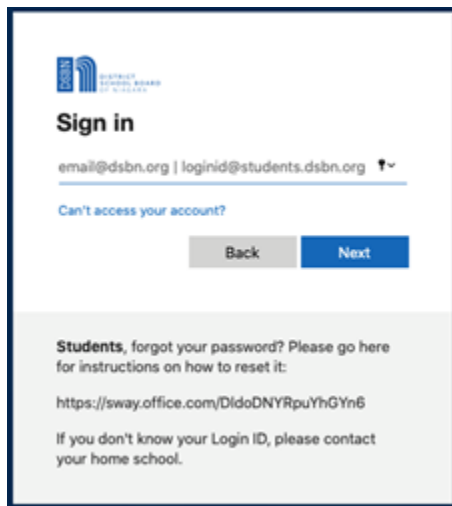
How to access your timetable WITH your DSBN email:

Go to Eastdale.dsbn.org

Sign in under Staff/Student Login (looks like this):



You will get this screen which also has information on how to change your password if you forgot it.



You must use your DSBN student email to sign in.

Click on the following icon to see your timetable and cohort (A,B,C)



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Return to School Details for Those Who Chose Online Learning

Eastdale Secondary School's September Schedule

Cohort Online September Schedule

Secondary Online Learning

- Students remain part of our school's classes and with their assigned teachers
- Students will be using D2L Brightspace and/or Google Classrooms to access their online classrooms and need to regularly monitor their school email for reminders and notifications
- It is important to participate as you would on a regular school day and complete your learning to stay on track
- Teachers will be providing you with more specific details about each of your classes on September 8th, please make sure to login and be ready to get to work!
- You will be expected to log on daily at a specific time in the morning every day for morning announcements and to have your attendance taken, you can then begin completing your work for the day. You will hear from us with more details.
- Students will have online connections to their classroom teacher in different ways throughout their online journey, your teacher will be in touch with you on September 8th to provide you specific instructions
- They will also have access to qualified DSBN teachers in all subject areas throughout every day to support your learning

Registration Forms

- This year, we will be completing registration forms where possible online
- You will be receiving a message through School Cash Online this week with forms requiring your completion

Return of Loaned Items

- If you are returning to school, please bring your loaned items with you on the first day
- If you are learning at home and have chosen learning online, please contact us to return items you no longer need (eg. textbooks, novels etc.)
- If you are not returning to our school, please call the school and schedule an appointment to drop your items off

School contact information: 905-734-7458 or eas@dsbn.org

Supports Available

Grab and Go Breakfast Program

- Individually packaged items will be available as you enter the school

DSBN Mental Health Guide for Parents

- [Parents' Guide: Mentally Healthy Return to School](#)

Guidance

- I am requesting a timetable change – contact Mr. Luciani by email (paul.luciani@dsbn.org). He will arrange a meeting.

Social Worker and Youth Counsellor

- I would like to request an appointment – contact Mrs. Jensen by email (alexie.jensen@dsbn.org). She will arrange a meeting.

I am having difficulty with my course?

- Please contact your teacher

Need a device or Internet Access?

- Please contact Mr. Motola (Robert.Motola@dsbn.org)

Need School Supplies

- Please contact the school (eas@dsbn.org)

Niagara Public Health

- Parents and other community members to the general COVID-19 Info-Line, available Monday to Friday from 9:15 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, 9:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.
 - 905-688-8248 or Toll-free: 1-888-505-6074 press 7, then press 2
 - Parents can also visit our Niagara Parents Social Media accounts for updated information. [Niagara Parents Facebook](#), [Niagara Parents Twitter](#), [Niagara Parents Live Chat](#)
- Main COVID-19 webpage found at www.niagararegion.ca/health/covid-19/

What if we change our decision about the mode of learning selected during the semester?

- Please contact the Principal for details, students will be able to change their mode of learning during the semester as circumstances arise.

Online Learning

It is important that students are checking their school email daily and logging into D2L Brightspace or your Google Classroom. Your teacher will be providing you with the work you are to be completing, schedules, due dates etc. They will also provide details to you about supports available to assist you in your learning.

Unlike the spring, when we transitioned to emergency remote learning, online learning will consist of approximately 300 minutes per day where students are completing synchronous, asynchronous or independent learning.

[How to Access D2L and Google Classroom](#)

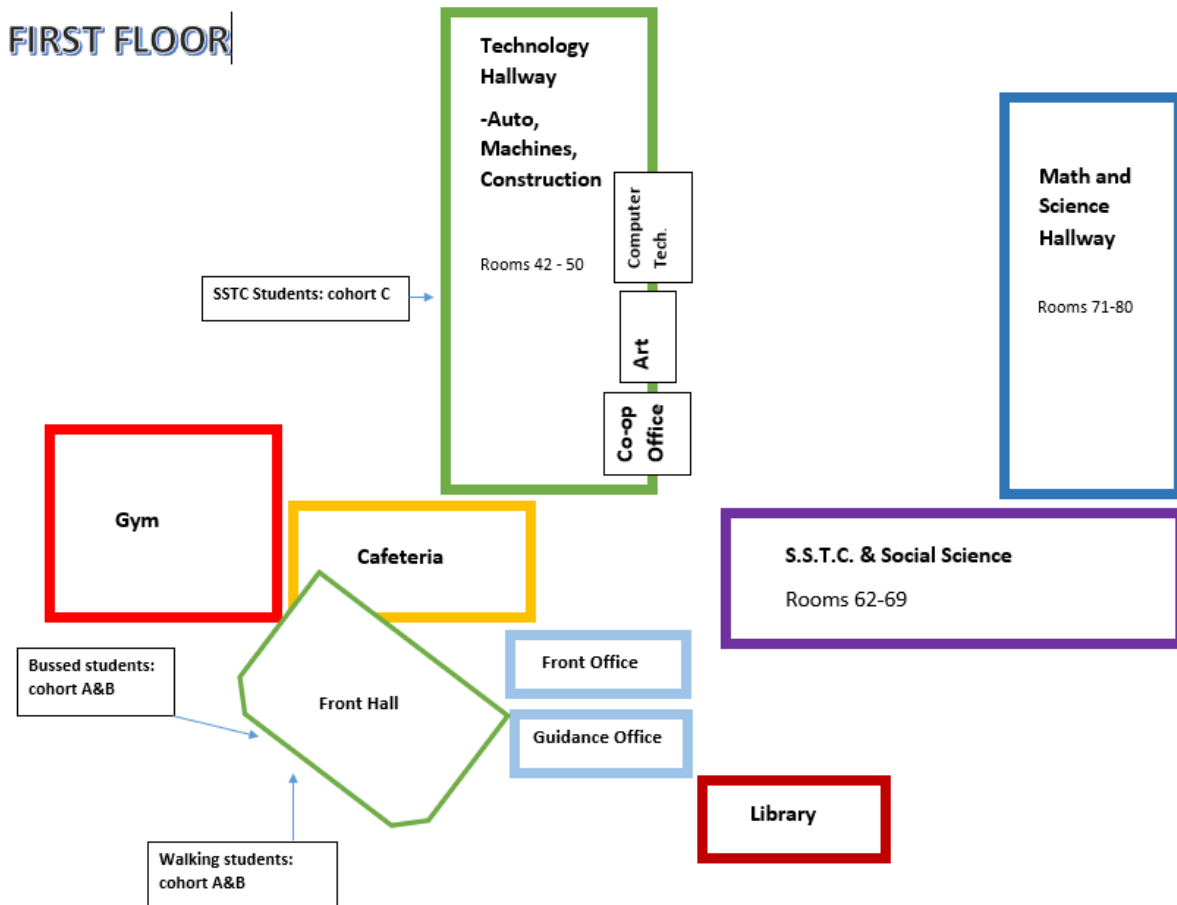
What To Bring on the First Day of School

1. Complete the Covid Self Assessment at home before you leave for school, and stay home if you are unwell <https://www.niagararegion.ca/health/covid-19/pdf/screening-tool-colour.pdf>
2. Make sure you have a mask and a brown paper bag to place it when you are eating
3. Any loaned items to return to the school
4. Bring a refillable water bottle with your name on it
5. Bring food/snacks that you can eat at your desk or outside on a break
6. Bring a fully charged device, either your own or the one that was loaned to you by the school
7. Bring a binder, paper and writing materials
8. Dress prepared for the class you are participating in (ie. physical education, a tech shop, hospitality)

Health and Safety When Attending School

Where to enter our school: Cohort A&B Students will enter through the front entrance. Bussed students will enter through the north west side of the building. Walking/driven students will enter through the south west side of the building. Students will be expected to practice social distancing and line up on the marked spaces and wait for instructions for entering the building. Cohort C (SSTC) students will be dropped off near the Technology wing entrance. Staff will be available to help receive students.

A floor plan of the access points has been provided.



When you arrive at school

- Make sure you have completed a Covid assessment
- Ensure you are wearing your mask
- Enter in the door indicated on the map above
- Maintain physical distancing
- Use hand sanitizer
- Head straight to class (15 minutes before the bell time)
- If you arrive on a bus, or have booked in advance, you can report to the Supervised Study Hall located in the Library

How to Stay Informed?

- Review DSBN Board website www.dsbns.org
- Regularly check your email for communications from the school
- Follow our school on social media...Twitter: @EastdaleWelland, Facebook: Eastdale Secondary School, Welland & Instagram: @eastdalewelland
- Contact the school at 905-734-7458 or eas@dsbn.org