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Dear Families of SD71,

As we near the end of the school year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each one of you for all your efforts in supporting your child's learning through the COVID-19 pandemic.

While our staff worked extremely hard transitioning to the continuity of learning program and our community assisted in supporting families through childcare and food programs; we also need to recognize the key role parents and guardians have played in supporting home learning while continuing to work and manage the many other complexities and challenges of daily life during the pandemic.

At this time, and over the summer we will be planning for the hopeful return of students to regular class instruction in September. Please know that we look forward to welcoming each one of our students back and as we always do. We will meet the learner where they are at in their learning journey, differentiate instruction where appropriate and support our students to ensure their success.

We remain committed to keeping families informed about September as quickly as possible but please remember the decision is up to the Ministry of Education. Throughout the summer months we encourage you to visit our school district website for the latest information. As well, we will be sending out information to all families in late August once we have been provided clear direction from the Ministry of Education and the Provincial Health Officer regarding September.

No matter what stage we return to in September please note that the health and safety of all our students and staff is paramount and will continue to be our top priority.

I wish everyone a safe and happy summer vacation.

Respectfully,

Tom Demeo
Superintendent of Schools