



ONLINE AND DISTANCE LEARNING PARENT FOCUS GROUPS

Invitation

On behalf of the Ministry of Education and BCCPAC, Brentwood Elementary PAC would like to invite parents to participate in a virtual Online Learning Parent Forum. Over the last year, the Ministry, in consultation with public and independent administrators and educators, has begun drafting the criteria, guidelines and procedures for each of the five workstreams to best enhance the equity, quality and availability of Online Learning for students. Subsequently, during the pandemic, safety measures accelerated students' and teachers' engagement with online learning and blended learning programs, increasing the need for implementation.

As the new online learning policies, processes and other details for the new online learning model are developed during this fall, the Ministry is looking to gather feedback from parents (those currently enrolled in DL/OL and those considering doing so, full time or partial time) on changes to come as well as to share updates on key milestones and some of the online learning workstreams underway (e.g. policy, procedures, provincial schools, quality assurance process). For more information, please review the parent information sheet linked.

The Ministry will be co-hosting two parent forums for Public Schools with BCCPAC —one a general forum and one for parents of children with disabilities and diverse abilities. The sessions will be approximately 90 minutes in length and be held between October 5-7th.

If you are interested in participating in one of these forums, please reply to PAC at office@brentwoodpac.ca with contact details (full name, email, and which forum - general or families with students with diverse learning needs) - by Monday September 27th, 2021.

Once received, you will receive a Zoom link by email the week of September 27.

Parent Information Sheet

<https://bccpac.bc.ca/images/Documents/Resources/Online Learning EDUC InfoSheet September2021.pdf>

