



Sask DLC Newsletter

September 2024

Welcome to Sask DLC's family newsletter

Each month, families will receive a Sask DLC newsletter, designed to keep you informed about important dates, upcoming events, and helpful resources to support your student's learning. In addition to this newsletter, you may also receive updates from your teacher with specific information they want you to know.

Sask DLC and Me Website

Introducing Sask DLC and Me!

We have launched a new family focused website that provides you with information on upcoming events, school clubs, school calendar, family resources and more. This website has everything you need to stay connected and informed!

Check it out today to stay up to date with all the latest news and happenings. Visit us at saskDLCandMe.ca

Kindergarten – Grade 9

Grades 7-9 Learning Mentor Meeting Wednesday September 25 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Grade 7-9 learning mentors (parents, grandparents, guardians) are invited to join a learning mentor meeting on September 25 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. to gain some helpful tips and tricks to help your middle year's child succeed in an online learning environment.

Three experienced teachers will share their knowledge in a short presentation and will be available for questions and answers. Links for the meetings will be sent to parents by your teacher the week of September 23 so watch your email. There is no need to pre-register. We look forward to seeing you there!

Field Trip

We are planning a field trip this fall to Wanuskewin, the nēhiyawēwin (Plains Cree), with students and families to learn more about our land and our history while meeting new friends. More information will be shared by your teachers once details are confirmed.

Grade 10 - 12

Welcome to Homerooms at Sask DLC!

New this year for full-time Grade 10-12 students is homeroom classes. Students are paired with a homeroom teacher that will remain consistent for the entire time they attend Sask DLC. Homeroom class meetings will focus not only on your child's studies but also on their overall well-being, strengths, and interests, allowing us to understand them beyond academics. Discussions will include their hopes and dreams for the future, their studies, passions, and activities that promote growth in all areas of life.

As parents and guardians are a child's first teachers, your insights are invaluable, and we welcome you to join these meetings. Together, we can learn more about your child and the hopes and dreams you have for them.

Each full-time high school student can expect an email next week enrolling them in their homeroom class and your child's homeroom teacher will be reaching out soon.

We're excited to work with your family to help your child succeed.

Scholarships

Several post-secondary institutions offer early admissions and early entrance scholarships. Now is a good time to check online with your post-secondary school of choice and look for their requirements and deadlines. You can also find scholarship and bursary information on [saskDLCandMe](#). Full-time students with questions about their grad plan should contact their Academic Advisor. Part-time students attending their local school can reach out to their local guidance counsellor for help.

Marks and Progress Reports for Grade 10-12 Students

As a reminder, students can access their progress and grades in their courses anytime. After you submit your work and your teacher marks it, you will get an email saying your assignment has been graded. To see your grades, log into DLCgo, click on your course, and choose "Grades" on the top of the screen. There is also a progress bar on the dashboard that shows how far along you are in the course.

Parents can also check their student's progress and grades. Parents log into their own DLCgo account, select their student's name at the top of the dashboard, and click the "Login" link next to the course they want to view. Once in the course, the progress bar on the main page (top right) shows how much progress has been made. Parents can

also click the "Grades" link on the top navigation of each course to see the assignments and grades.

In addition to DLCgo updates, we keep parents and students updated on progress by sending out progress reports on the first working day of each month.

If you don't have your DLCgo login information, please check your junk email and list Sask DLC as a safe sender so important emails go to your inbox. If you can't access your DLCgo login information, please submit a help desk ticket by sending an email to helpdesk@saskDLC.ca asking for your login information.

Upcoming events

Terry Fox School Run / Walk – September 19 at 11 a.m.

Sask DLC is excited to once again participate in the Terry Fox school run to raise awareness for cancer research and would love if you can join us!. Our staff will #TryLikeTerry #NoMatterWhat on September 19 at 11 a.m. by walking to raise awareness and we will be collecting pledges for cancer research until September 20.

Last year we raised \$1,874 across all 10 Sask DLC campuses and this year we'd like to raise 10% more – for a total of \$2,061. If you'd like to help us reach our goal and find a Terry Fox walk near you, visit [saskDLCandMe](#).

You are also invited to share your pictures on social media and tag us @saskDLC

September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day

Orange Shirt Day was established in 2013 and is observed on September 30 annually to mark the period when Indigenous children were forcibly removed from their homes and sent to Residential Schools. This national movement seeks to recognize and acknowledge the experiences of these students, honour the survivors, and remember those who did not return home. It also serves as a significant reminder that **Every Child Matters**.

To recognize this important day, we invite all Sask DLC students, families and staff to wear an orange shirt on **Friday, September 27**. This initiative encourages all of us to wear an orange shirt to support healing and reconciliation. While wearing an orange shirt is a meaningful gesture, it is just the first step in the journey towards reconciliation

For further information on Orange Shirt Day and how you can participate, please visit www.saskDLCandMe.ca

Parent Teacher Student Conferences – November 5 and 6

Sask DLC Parent Teacher and Student Conferences will be held November 5 and 6 from 4-7 p.m. This is a great opportunity to check in, ask questions, or provide feedback on your child's progress. Our teachers would love to chat with families to discuss students' progress!

Watch your email for a link to book a time to connect with your student's teacher in the coming weeks!

Cell Phone Policy

Sask DLC has updated its [Acceptable Use of Technology Policy](#) in response to the [Government of Saskatchewan's policy direction about using personal devices](#), like cell phones, during class time. This procedure helps everyone, including students and staff, use technology in a safe and responsible way.

We ask that all students and families review the updated policy. If you have any questions about how this impacts your day-to-day work, you are welcome to talk to your teacher or Online Learning Facilitator in your local school.

It is Sask DLC's expectation that students only use their personal devices for schoolwork, like uploading documents or videos to hand in assignments or when needing to do Two-Factor Authentication for logging into their Microsoft Accounts. Otherwise, it is our expectation that personal devices, including cell phones are kept away from the learning environment during school time.

How do I get help?

If you have questions about your course, please contact your teacher to assist. You can find your teacher's direct number on your course information in DLCgo. You will also find a link to book a meeting with them.

You also have access to an online support portal for common questions or technical issues. If needed, you can submit a help desk ticket by signing up in the top right corner of the homepage. Bookmark this page for easy access: [Support: Sask DLC Student Services](#).

Resource Bank

We're excited to share a fantastic resource that can support both teachers, students and parents alike: the [Resource Bank!](#) This digital library of educational resources is available at no cost and offers a wealth of tools including activities, articles, and videos to support learning.

Whether you have an account or not, you can access these valuable resources for free. For those interested in learning more, we recommend checking out the [Getting Started Collection](#) on the [Microtutorial Hub](#) to learn how to make an account and get started finding resources.

Featured resources:

- Homework help – Flexi provides support for Math, Science and more! Check out this [video](#) for a closer look at how it can help your child. Another option for homework help is [CK-12](#)
- [Parenting help for tough situations](#)

Upcoming dates to remember

Here are a few dates to keep in mind:

- **September 19** – Sask DLC Terry Fox Run/Walk
- **September 20** – Last day to donate to Sask DLC Terry Fox Foundation fundraiser
- **September 27-** Sask DLC Recognizes Orange Shirt Day, student and staff invited to wear orange
- **September 30** – Orange Shirt Day and National Day of Truth and Reconciliation – no school for students and staff
- **September 30** – Students wanting to take courses with work placements in Semester 1 are highly encouraged to register before September 30.
- **October 4** – Professional Development Day – no school for students
- **October 14** – Thanksgiving – no school for students and staff
- **November 5 and 6** – Parent Teacher Student Conferences

Helpful Links

[Student Helpdesk](#) remember to “sign up” using the top, right, sign up login

[Microsoft 365 login instructions](#)

Sask DLC Store

Check out our [Sask DLC store](#) to find a selection of school clothing, gifts, and more!

During the writ period leading up to the October 28 provincial election, there will be no additional newsletters, updates to our website and social media will be limited.

**Watch for your next Sask DLC Family Newsletter the week of
November 18.**