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Today, Premier Doug Ford joined Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education to launch the first phase of Learn at Home and Apprendre à la maison, a new online portal that will provide resources for families so students can continue their education while schools are closed due to the ongoing COVID-19 situation.

Learn at Home offers all students math and literacy resources, created by Ontario-certified educators, in both English and French. Elementary resources are designed to help young students learn at home with interactive activities that encourage participation through entertaining and stimulating digital content. High school content was designed with a focus on STEM courses and ensure core competencies and skills are reinforced. The government is also providing access to course content for students who take the initiative to refresh and extend their learning.

To access the Learn at Home portal, visit https://www.ontario.ca/page/learn-at-home

Note that, while schools, offices and facilities are closed, business functions will continue. In addition, we will continue to facilitate communications through the DPCDSB website (www.dpcdsb.org), through our social media channels, Twitter and Facebook (@DPCDSBSchools) and Instagram (@dpcdsb.schools).

If there is an urgent need to connect with DPCDSB administrative offices, this may be done by email through our communications@dpcdsb.org email account.

We encourage parents/guardians and community members to continue to monitor our Coronavirus (COVID-19) Information webpage, where we will continue to post information and updates as they become available. This page contains links to our local, provincial and federal public health authorities, as well as to the Archdiocese of Toronto, which is also communicating regularly.

We also encourage all to continue to practice the advice of our public health authorities regarding best practice to prevent the spread of respiratory viruses, including COVID-19:

- Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer;
- Cover mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing; if no tissue is available, sneeze or cough into the sleeve or arm;
- Clean and disinfect objects and surfaces regularly;
- Practice social distancing;
- Stay home if ill until your symptoms resolve.

Thank you for your attention to this important information. Be safe and stay well.

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