

## Remote Learning Pathway Brewer School Department Contact: Renita Ward-Downer, Director of Instruction and Technology/Bob Kumpa, Grade 8 Science Teacher

## **Overview:**

Brewer School Department's RREV project is offering a remote learning pathway to its 7-12th grade students. This pathway ensures that students who didn't thrive in person, the easily distracted, those with incompatible home responsibilities, and more--will still have access to a high quality education while now engaging with curriculum in a modality that fits their needs. If families feel that a home learning environment is best for their students, they will now have that option. Students that choose to be a part of the Remote Learning Pathway will have access to a full time multi-age teacher for instruction. This will be a brand new position, filled by a Remote Learning Specialist. If families like having their students at school for instruction, they will also have that option. Both Pathways will provide engaging and high academic instruction to meet student and family needs. Both Pathways will offer students enrichment and extracurricular activities. Both Pathways offer core subject instruction along with enrichment and personalized instruction. Because the Remote Learning Specialist will collaborate with teachers in the buildings, there will also be opportunities where remote students can come to the school to be with friends and participate in the activities and/or sports, as well as have access to other programs that Brewer offers. This schedule adaptation not only increases interactions and builds relationships among peers, it is also supporting the social and emotional learning of all students.

The targeted population will be middle and high school students. In looking at the past data during the pandemic, it was found that students in middle school and high school were very successful in participating in full remote learning and academic progress was made. For the first year of this pilot we will cap our enrollment to the full learning pathway to 15 students. The Remote Learning Specialist will provide interdisciplinary and individualized instruction while collaborating with teachers at the high school and middle school levels. By providing this additional pathway, we hope to increase enrollment with homeschooled students where they can still meet family needs but also access all that Brewer School Department has to offer.

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