

## OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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## **MEMO**

To: All Principals

From: Tony Stack, CEO/Director of Education

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## Learning at Home Resource Being Distributed Via Canada Post

The Newfoundland and Labrador English School District has developed a four-page printed resource which highlights ideas and activities to support continued learning at home. This resource, which is designed as a companion piece to our Learning at Home web page (<a href="https://www.nlesd.ca/programs/learningathome.jsp">https://www.nlesd.ca/programs/learningathome.jsp</a>), will be delivered to all households in the province.

A link to the printed resource is expected to 'go live' on Monday. Meanwhile, it can be viewed here: <u>Home Distribution</u>. Please make your teachers aware so that it can be incorporated into their planning, discussions, and ongoing work with students.

This resource is being sent to <u>all</u> homes, as we cannot know for certain where students are spending their days during this health emergency (e.g., with family members, neighbours, other caregivers) and it was more cost-efficient to send it to all households rather than attempt to send it addressed specifically to students' homes. We also hope it will be retained in homes, and referenced often, in the days and weeks to come.

The Learning at Home web page and the printed companion piece are excellent ways for teachers to connect well-being, literacy, numeracy and students' individual passions for learning into their regular conversations with students. These are meaningful learning opportunities that make connections to the curriculum outcomes and have been purposefully designed with a focus on engagement and learning for all students.

Allow me this opportunity to thank you all, once again, for the extraordinary efforts you are making during this challenging time. This has been a real test of your leadership - and you are answering the call each and every day. Stay well, and reach out to your Director of Schools should you need our support.