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Dear Parents/Guardians & Students:

My name in Mr. Ostoforov (a.k.a. Mr. O) and I will be teaching Apprenticeship Math 12 to your student. I would like to take a few moments of your time to highlight some important details about this course. I encourage you take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the website (see below), notably the course syllabus and expectations.

First and foremost, if your student has already successfully completed **ANY** math 11 or 12 course, they have already met the math requirement for graduation. Apprenticeship 12 is geared specifically to further develop and enhance student knowledge prior to them graduating and entering the workforce.

If your child is looking at pursuing a path leading to post-secondary university or college, Apprenticeship 12 will **NOT** meet the direct entrance requirements for these institutions. If your student is looking at pursing a technical diploma/degree, or a trades program, Apprenticeship 12 should meet the entrance requirements for these designations. If you or your student are unsure of the entrance requirements, I strongly encourage you to touch base with either myself or their school counsellor.

Math is a subject area with which many students struggle for a variety of reasons, and it is my goal to assist them in becoming more numerate and confident in their approach to math. I believe that combining theory, with real world applications, as well as using inquiry, students will be able to make stronger connections with the curriculum in a more engaging and meaningful capacity.

To help assist students, I have developed a website (<u>www.ostoforov.weebly.com</u>) where your student will be able to find pretty much everything relevant to this course; course agenda, notes, assignments, resources, etc. In response to Covid-19 situation and the possible need to learn remotely I will also be using Microsoft Teams as a resource and communication tool. Should your student miss class for any reason these two resources will provide everything your student will need to be successful in this course as well as work remotely from home.



In response to the Ministry of Education and the Provincial Health Minister protocols RSS has implemented the Copernican model (2 courses per quarter). This is a very intense model with a whole course to be delivered in a 9-10 week time period. As a result, it is imperative that students attend class regularly (missing two days is equivalent to missing a week of school in our previous semester system). Also, due to the expedited nature of the course it is also important that students stay current with the course work and immediately advocate for their learning should they encounter any struggles and/or need extra help, so they do not fall behind.

Please rest assured that the entire RSS staff are here to assist you and your family during these unprecedent times, so please reach out to us should you ever feel the need. I hope the return to school will provide a sense of normalcy for all stakeholders and I look forward to reconnecting with students and the school community.

Please feel free to contact me at any time should you have any questions or concerns or if you just want a progress update on your student. My contact info can be found at the top of this letter. I have also attached a short questionnaire on the following page. Please complete it and detach (please keep this letter for future reference) and have your student return it to me as soon as possible. Thank you ahead of time for your cooperation.

Professionally,

Mr. Ostoforov

Apprenticeship 12 Parent & Student Letter



Parent/Guardian & Student Questionnaire

*Please Print	
Student's name:	
Parent/Guardian names:	
Best phone number to reach you:	(Parent)
	(Student)
Best email to reach you:	(Parent)
	(Student)
	us: NO (Parent) NO (Student)
Do you plan on attending any post-secondary schooling? Ple institution and program if you know at this time.	ease specify what
What career(s) are you thinking about pursuing after gradua	tion?
Is there anything I can do to do help or assist you and your le	arning?
Is there anything else you would like to share or have any que about at this point in time?	estions/concerns