

No Shortcuts During Pride Online

Hello, Henderson Collegiate No Shortcuts Families!

We hope you have all had a safe and healthy summer. We have missed our students and families and look forward to seeing all of you again soon.

The purpose of this letter is to provide some information and clarity on Henderson Collegiate's commitment to serving students with disabilities during Pride Online. Our goal is to return all students to learning in person within the building as soon as it is safe to do so. In the meantime, we are committed to providing all students with the highest quality online education that meets their individual needs.

Specially-Designed Instruction During Pride Online

All students within the Exceptional Children's program will receive the following through our Pride Online program:

- Access to content and specially designed instruction through online learning;
- Progress monitoring of goals;
- Access to their teachers as well as peers through online learning; and
- Online instruction to include whole-group interaction, small-group instruction, module-based instruction, and office hours.

We are also working with related-service providers to arrange for those services to happen via teletherapy.

All students will need varying levels of support throughout Pride Online. Some students with IEPs require closer supervision and assistance. This might come from a parent, guardian, or other responsible person in the student's family or support system. Teachers will be available to support students and families throughout this process as much as possible.

Considerations for IEP Development During Pride Online

For many students, the IEP, as written, can and will be implemented during Pride Online with no changes. For other students whose IEPs may need adjustments as a result of Pride Online, an IEP meeting will be scheduled to develop a Pride Online service and support plan. This individualized plan will serve as a temporary addendum to the IEP that will address IEP goals, accommodations and modifications, especially designed instruction, and related services to be implemented in an online instruction setting. This would be a supplement to the online instructional framework already provided by Pride Online for all students.

In conclusion, we recognize that this is a challenging time for our community with a lot of unknowns. The Henderson Collegiate No Shortcuts department is committed to supporting our students and families through this process by making sure that every student who needs direct support will receive it while in our online learning environment.

Should you have any concerns regarding special education and/or related services during online instruction, please contact the following individuals:

- **Elementary / Middle School:** Mrs. Victoria Robertson, vrobertson@hendersoncollegiate.org
- **High School:** Ms. Michelle Houghton-Cohen, mhoughtoncohen@hendersoncollegiate.org

As always, thank you for supporting the Pride!

Sincerely,
HC No Shortcuts Team