

## Quarter 3

# Falcon Enterprises Alternative High School

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**Hours:** Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Dear Parents, Guardians, & Board Members,

It has been an interesting end of quarter three for the 2019-2020 school year. Due to the COVID-19 situation, students have been working on their online classes from home since March 17<sup>th</sup>. Students are encouraged to put in the same amount of time and work at home as if they were to be in attendance at FEAHS. Important announcements will be posted on the RVA Buzz student login website to remind students of events and/or expectations. So far, students who have internet access and a device have been logging in and completing work. Students can truly use this additional time to get more caught up and completed with their course work so please encourage students to use this time wisely!

One of our seniors at FEAHS has completed all their required online courses needed for graduation. Congratulations to Gilda! Gilda plans to enter the work force after graduation and then hopes to pursue her goal of entering the field of veterinary science. Good luck to your future endeavors Gilda!

Quarter 3 progress reports were shared with parents via email on Friday March 27<sup>th</sup>. If I did not see an email address posted under parent information, I shared this information to your child's email address versus through mail to eliminate any possible contact of bacteria/virus. If you didn't receive one and need an additional copy resent to your child's email or a different email address that wasn't listed under parent contact information, please let me know.

Please do not hesitate to call or email about any questions or concerns. I am available to help and will be monitoring student activity during normal school hours, however, feel free to message me at any time of that day and I will get back to your request ASAP. Have a great month and stay healthy!

Sincerely,

*Mrs. Halpin*

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## Upcoming Events

April 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>:

No School

May 16<sup>th</sup>:

Abbotsford Graduation

May 22<sup>nd</sup>:

Colby Graduation

May 25<sup>th</sup>:

No School-Memorial Day

June 5<sup>th</sup>:

Early Release-Last Day



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# Quarter 3 Highlights

### FEAHS Closure during COVID-19 Outbreak

In the midst of school closures due to the recent outbreak of Covid-19, I hope that you will find this information useful as to how students will continue to receive educational services during this time of school closure beginning Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.

Students at FEAHS will continue with their current online courses by logging into a personal device at home. Students from Colby school district have been advised to pick up and use their assigned Chromebook if needed. Students should log into their online courses daily and work for the same amount of time as they would if they were in attendance at FEAHS. Students may break up this time in increments to encourage productivity. FEAHS is able to monitor student login and activity so if needed, parents will be contacted to notify if there has been no activity. Students who do not have internet access at home will be given packets and print out of assignments.

Communication during this time is highly encouraged and I plan on being available to you through a variety of means. Please do not hesitate to contact me anytime through email, call, text, or video conference. I will also be using a video recording service through screencastify to help clarify any questions regarding assignment expectations. I will also do my best to reteach and explain concepts as needed via video recording. I can also supplement in additional material to support and resources within the online courses to encourage further comprehension of challenging concepts. I plan to get back to your requests and questions ASAP. I will keep track of progress and completion daily but please let me know if you are nearing completion of a course and need to be enrolled in a new one.

I appreciate your patience and understanding as we navigate education services outside of the school district. I encourage and hope everyone that you and your families stay healthy during this time. Thank you for your patience and cooperation!

### Virtual learning at home

While students and myself are transitioning to virtual learning at home, I am trying to add in a few things to keep students motivated and accountable while working on their online courses at home. One thing that has been implemented to the students RVA homepage is the announcement section with help from our new “virtual mascot.” Meet Nala, the virtual mascot for FEAHS while students are working at home! Nala helps to send out updates and encourages students to be responsible and productive during their work.



### Staying connected

Technology that is being used to help with live face-to-face interaction is ZOOM. During this time of uncertainty amidst the COVID-19 outbreak, ZOOM is an app that can be downloaded on student's laptops and/or phones and works similarly to skype or Facetime. This app has proven to be very convenient and easy to use. I encourage students to download this app if they need help or simply just want to say hello and stay connected with their teacher/and peers!