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Dear Columbia School Families,

Starting in the 2025–2026 school year, Columbia School will be moving to piloting a closed campus during the noon hour for all Grade 7–8 students.

In the past, students were permitted to leave the school grounds with signed permission. However, with our shortened noon hour and proximity to local businesses, we believe that keeping students on campus during the lunch break will help maintain focus, reduce transitions, and support a more positive and productive learning environment.

What does this mean for families:

- All Grade 7–8 students will remain at school for lunch.
- Students may go for lunch with their parent/guardian during the noon hour if arrangements are made.
- Students who regularly walk home to eat lunch may continue to do so, but arrangements will need to be made on an individual basis with their classroom teacher.

We appreciate your support as we make this change to best support our students' learning and well-being. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to your child's teacher or the school office.

Thank you for your continued partnership in making Columbia School a safe, supportive, and engaging place for all students.

Sincerely, Bryce Krawetz – Principal Columbia School Bryce.Krawetz@gssd.ca

