

## **SOUTHERN HEALTH-SANTÉ SUD**

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Gladstone Elementary School Box 690, 116 Morris St. Gladstone, MB ROJ 0T0

Dear Parent/Guardian of Gladstone Elementary School,

Manitoba public health officials have advised Gladstone Elementary School of a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the school on September 8, 9, 10, and 14 2020. The person was present at the school from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm on the above dates. The person was not symptomatic while at school.

Gladstone Elementary School is working closely with public health officials and following their recommendations.

Be assured that public health investigations to identify individuals who may have been exposed begin within 24 hours of a confirmed laboratory test. Anyone identified as a close contact will be contacted and provided instructions for self-isolation (quarantine). Testing may also be recommended.

Close contacts connected to the case have been identified and advised to self-isolate. Anyone who is a close contact has been contacted directly by public health. All other students and staff can continue to attend school in person.

Please note: the school is not permitted to release the name or any identifying information about the confirmed case of COVID-19 to any member of the school community or media.

If you have not been contacted by public health officials, your child has not been identified as being exposed to COVID-19 from this case. However, if your child develops a new onset or worsening of any one symptom listed in Column A or any two or more symptoms listed in Column B (see table below), even if they are mild, immediately isolate them from others. It is recommended your child get tested for COVID-19 as soon as symptoms appear. Call Health Links—Info Santé at 204-788-8200 or toll-free at 1-888-315-9257 for information on testing and isolation.



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A	В
Fever/Chills	Runny nose
Cough	Muscle aches
Sore throat/hoarse voice	Fatigue
Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing	Pink eye (conjunctivitis)
Loss of taste or smell	Headache
Vomiting or diarrhea for more than 24 hours	Skin rash of unknown cause
	Nausea or loss of appetite
	Poor feeding (if an infant)

Please note: individuals with symptoms outlined in columns A and B, who choose not to be tested, must isolate for a minimum of 10 days following the start of symptoms. Isolation can be stopped at day 10 if the individual has been symptom-free for 24 hours.

For more public health information about COVID-19, please visit https://manitoba.ca/covid19/updates/resources.html.

Sincerely,

**Dr. Davinder Singh** 

Medical Officer of Health

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