
**COVID-19 INFORMATION
FOR SCHOOLS****Public Health Data and Information – Schools**

At this time, 21 per cent of overall COVID-19 cases are in school-aged children. As of May 30, there were 335 cases linked to schools within last 14 days and 170 schools with one or more cases. Officials note some of these individuals may not have caught the virus in school or spread it to others in schools because they were self-isolating at home. Most of the schools with cases are already in remote learning.

Close to half of Manitoba schools have suspended in-class learning while continuing to offer an option of supervision to students of critical service workers (kindergarten to Grade 6) and students with special learning needs (kindergarten to Grade 12).

Since last fall, public health officials and school divisions have followed guidance to inform the decision to move a school to remote learning. This includes:

- checking if new cases have a history of possible exposures outside the school setting,
- reviewing if a school has new cases in two or more cohorts and if those cases are not from the same household, and
- confirming if there are new cases outside of the cohorts currently in isolation.

In addition, school officials can shift to school-wide remote learning for one to two days to allow time for further consultation with public health officials and Manitoba Education to determine if a longer period of remote learning is required, unless directed otherwise from public health.