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Bird's Hill School
3950 Raleigh St
East St Paul, MB R2E 0G9

Dear Parent/Guardian of Students at Bird's Hill School,

You will have already received a letter that Manitoba public health officials advised Bird's Hill School on October 18 and 19, 2020 of four confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the school. At that time, investigations were and are continuing to determine if the virus was transmitted at school. It is because of these investigations that this situation was deemed an outbreak which placed the school at orange on the Manitoba Pandemic Response System.

The information provided in the October 19 letter outlined the recommended management. This does not change with the orange status.

Public health had advised that the affected classes continue quarantine (isolation) as of October 19, 2020. Investigation of the situation is ongoing. At the present time, public health anticipates that quarantine (isolation) will continue for the impacted classes until October 23 but this may be lengthened or shortened as the investigation continues.

All other classes 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 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. You may go directly to the nearest COVID-19 testing location during their open hours. For the testing site nearest you, please visit <https://www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/updates/testing.html>, or call Health Links—Info Santé at 204-788-8200 or toll-free at 1-888-315-9257.

A	B
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,



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