

## **SOUTHERN HEALTH-SANTÉ SUD**

Public Health-Healthy Living Southport Regional Office 180 Centennaire Drive Southport MB ROH 1N1 www.southernhealth.ca

November 11, 2020

Southwood School 224 Hespeler Ave E Schanzenfeld, Manitoba R6W 1K3

RE: Case of COVID-19 in Southwood School

Dear Parent/Guardian of Southwood School

Manitoba Public Health officials have advised Southwood School that a case of COVID-19 was in the school on November 2<sup>n</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> , 2020.

Southwood 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.

Close contacts connected to the case have been identified and advised to self-isolate. Anyone who is a close contact has been contacted via an email. The school will remain open to all other students and staff, who 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 cases of COVID-19 to any member of the school, community or media.

If you have not received an email stating that your child is a contact, your child(ren) have 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, and that your whole family isolate as per 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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А	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 Southern Health-Santé Sud