



## Confirmed Case of COVID-19 in School/ Child Care Facility

September 15 2020

John Pritchard School  
Henderson Early Learning Child Care Centre

Dear Parent/Guardian of John Pritchard School,

Manitoba Public Health has advised John Pritchard School of 4 new confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the school. This brings the total number of cases to 5.

John Pritchard School continues to work closely with public health officials and is following their recommendations. Public health has advised that the following grades/cohorts be transitioned to remote learning as of September 16 2020: Grade 6, Grade 7, Grade 8, Split class 4/5, H.E.L.C.C.C. (before and After School Program)

At the present time, public health anticipates that remote learning will continue for these cohorts/grades for 14 days but this may be lengthened or shortened as the investigation continues.

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.

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 and your child(ren) are not in one of the groups listed above, 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. Call Health Links—Info Santé at 204-788-8200 or toll-free at 1-888-315-9257 for information on testing and isolation.

A	B
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cough</li> <li>• Sore throat/hoarse voice</li> <li>• Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing</li> <li>• Loss of taste or smell</li> <li>• Vomiting or diarrhea for more than 24 hours</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Runny nose</li> <li>• Muscle aches</li> <li>• Fatigue</li> <li>• Pink eye (conjunctivitis)</li> <li>• Headache</li> <li>• Skin rash of unknown cause</li> <li>• Nausea or loss of appetite</li> <li>• Poor feeding (if an infant)</li> </ul>

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 provided that 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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