

Dear ASD-E Families,

Public Health processes have changed over the past several weeks. With the increasing number of COVID cases, we are following the Public Health assumption that COVID is now present throughout our communities. This also means that it will be present in our schools. Because of that, it is important to continually monitor for symptoms and follow all Public Health directions.

Please note that Public Health will not be confirming positive cases as they did in the past, nor will they be doing contact tracing for school-related cases. As a result, schools will no longer be sending notification messages home to families with each self-reported case.

If a student or staff member tests positive with a POC test, they are asked to notify their school principal. We will share any notifications we receive, **to the best of our ability**, so that they are included in a list of schools, found on the Anglophone East website. This will be done each Monday – Friday and will be updated at around 4:00 p.m. on these days. It is now the responsibility of families and staff to check the website for reported cases at your school. If you would like to be informed of cases that get reported to schools, you can check the Anglophone East website at <a href="https://asdeast.nbed.ca/">https://asdeast.nbed.ca/</a>.

We ask that you please continue to follow all Public Health directions. Should you or a family member test positive, please visit <a href="Coronavirus">Coronavirus</a> (COVID-19) (gnb.ca) for next steps and guidance. We are making the assumption that COVID is present throughout our communities and schools. Continually monitoring for symptoms and following Public Health's directions will be important.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

Sincerely, Pamela Wilson

Acting Superintendent, ASD-E

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