

Rosthern Junior College  
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Dear Staff, Parents, Guardians and Students

RE: Notice to Staff, Students and Visitors of COVID-19 Outbreak in

Public Health staff are investigating multiple cases of COVID-19 at Rosthern Junior College. If staff or students are identified as being in the classroom of a confirmed COVID-19 case, they will receive a letter with directions from Public Health.

We strongly recommend that everyone who is eligible gets both doses of a two-dose COVID-19 vaccine series, including all household members of students and staff members.

If anyone develops symptoms, they must self-isolate at home and seek testing immediately. Should you require medical attention, it is important to call ahead to your health care provider's office so arrangements can be made for you to be seen a way that reduces the chance of exposing other individuals.

The additional measures to manage the outbreak include:

- Canceling in-person events involving whole school (such as a school wide assembly).
- Classrooms that are impacted by a positive case will remain in their classroom cohort until the end of the class isolation period.
- **Fully Vaccinated** close contacts are not required to self-isolate, but should self-monitor and get tested if symptomatic.
- **Partially Vaccinated** close contacts are required to self-isolate and should get tested.
- Per the Updated Public Health Order Oct 1st, **Unvaccinated** students who are close contacts of a household member who has tested positive for Covid-19 are **no longer exempt** from self-isolation. These students must stay home and not attend in-person learning or extra-curricular activities.
- Under the current public health order, students in the school can continue to participate in extra-curricular activities if:
  - A student is fully vaccinated and symptom free, or
  - A student is not considered a close contact to a positive case.
  - Proof of vaccination may be required by your school.
- If a student is named as a Close Contact from an exposure outside of the household, (extracurricular activities, etc.) and is symptom free, they are exempt from self-isolation to attend school for educational purposes or daycare.
- Providing a testing reference number of SKHR-2021-945 to 811 and the testing center if staff or students go for testing.
- Following up with a confirmatory PCR test at the testing center if a rapid/Point of Care test has been completed and is positive.
- SHA will send communication when the outbreak is declared over. An outbreak will be declared over once there has been no evidence of transmission in the school setting for 28 days.
- MHO additional measures: One round of onsite testing to be arranged

For further information regarding COVID-19, please call Health Line at 811, and/or visit the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health website at [www.saskatchewan.ca/covid19](http://www.saskatchewan.ca/covid19).

Sincerely,

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