



December 14, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian and Staff of PJ Gillen School,

The Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) advised Good Spirit School Division that a positive case of COVID-19 has been diagnosed in an individual in the Grade 5A classroom at PJ Gillen School (PJG). We are working closely with Public Health staff to ensure necessary measures are in place to protect all students and staff. Public Health will be contacting parents/guardians of students and any staff/visitors/volunteers who may have been in close contact with the case and will provide direction.

To minimize further risk of transmission, Public Health has advised that the following individuals are **required to self-isolate**:

- **all staff and students in the Grade 5A classroom; and/or,**
- **individuals who access ridership on Bus 80Y**

As a result, **classes for Grade 5A will be cancelled on Tuesday, December 15, 2020** which will allow the teacher to finalize preparations for the change in instructional delivery to remote learning. **Mandatory remote classes will begin on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 until Friday, December 18, 2020 for staff and students in Grade 5A and all individuals who are deemed to be close contacts.** Details regarding the delivery of instruction and materials will be shared with you by PJG School staff. Staff and students will tentatively return to school on Monday, January 4, 2021.

We would like to ensure families that the GSSD facility disinfecting and cleaning protocols have been and will continue to be followed.

Everyone entering schools are reminded to monitor for any signs or symptoms of COVID-19. Refer to the [Daily Self-Assessment Checklist](#). **Public Health encourages all students and staff to remain at home when showing the slightest symptom of COVID-19.**

If you or a family member would like to be tested for COVID-19, you may access the drive-through testing at 276 Myrtle Avenue in Yorkton. You may be tested without an appointment between the hours of 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm, seven days a week, or you may call 8-1-1 for a referral and an appointment will be scheduled for you. Ensure that you have your Health Card with you. Children under the age of 18 will need verbal consent from a parent or guardian. **Public Health has organized a drop-in testing site at the S.N. Boreen Community Center in Esterhazy on the following dates:**

- **December 17, 2020 from 10:30 am to 4:30 pm; and,**
- **December 29, 2020 from 10:30 am to 4:30 pm.**

We will provide additional information to parents/guardians as it is available. For further information regarding COVID-19, please call Health Line at 811 or visit the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health website at www.saskatchewan.ca/covid19.

Sincerely,

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