



Evergreen School Division

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Dear Parents / Caregivers,

As you are likely aware, on Friday, November 13th Gimli High School was alerted that a student had tested positive for COVID19. The student was not symptomatic while infectious and at school on Friday, November 6, 2020. A number of close contacts were identified and told to self-isolate at home until today, November 20, 2020.

The time of quarantine and monitoring connected to this case is now complete. To date, there have been no further cases reported connected to this case. *As the public health directive for self-isolation has ended for close contacts, all students may return to school.* As always, daily self-screening must continue, and students and staff need to stay home when sick.

Like other essential services, schools continue to be open with additional public health measures. We understand that some families may continue to be apprehensive about having their children physically attend. However, Chief Public Health Officer Dr. Roussin continues to tell us that schools are low risk for transmission. Those parents who chose to keep their children at home temporarily, even though they were not required to do so by public health, are now encouraged to send their children back to school.

To keep each other safe, we ask that you continue to reinforce the fundamentals regarding hand hygiene, mask-wearing, physical distancing and staying home when sick. In each of our schools, the staff and students are working hard to maintain safe and healthy learning environments for everyone, and we greatly appreciate your ongoing support to this effort. If it should be the case that your child tests positive for COVID 19, please contact the school as soon as possible so that we can quickly begin to collaborate with public health.

We remain grateful to all who have offered support during this challenging year.

Thank you,

Roza Gray

Superintendent & CEO
Evergreen School Division