



**Yukon Communicable Disease Control
4 Hospital Rd, Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 3H8**

November 17, 2021

Dear Parents, guardians, students and staff,

This letter is to inform you that Yukon Communicable Disease Control (YCDC) has been made aware of a **positive case of COVID-19 at Elijah Smith Elementary School** affecting the:

- Grade 2/3 Combined Class, on Tuesday November 16th.

Students and staff who attended or worked in the above class on these dates have been identified as close contacts of COVID-19. COVID-19 is a respiratory illness that is spread through droplets when a person coughs, speaks, or by touching surfaces contaminated by the virus with your hands and then touching your face before washing your hands.

A risk assessment has been completed by YCDC, in consultation with a Medical Officer of Health. After careful analysis, we recommend the following for students and staff connected to the above classes:

- If you are **not significantly immunosuppressed** due to illness or medication AND have received 2 doses of COVID-19 immunization, with the last dose prior to November 2nd, **we recommend you self-monitor for symptoms through November 30th.**
- If you are **significantly immunosuppressed** due to illness or medication AND have received 3 doses of COVID-19 immunization, with the last dose prior to November 2nd, **we recommend you self-monitor for symptoms through November 30th.**
- All others **not** fully immunized are recommended to **self-isolate until November 26th, inclusive, and self-monitor for symptoms through November 30th.**

It is very important that if **any** symptoms develop, no matter how mild, that you arrange for testing. Symptoms to self-monitor for include:

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| • Fever | • Sore throat | • Loss of appetite |
| • Chills | • Loss of sense of taste or smell | • Nausea and vomiting |
| • Cough | • Headache | • Diarrhea |
| • Shortness of breath | • Fatigue | • Muscle aches |
| • Runny nose | | |

If you develop **any** symptoms, no matter how mild, contact **the COVID Testing and Assessment Centre (CTAC) in Whitehorse at 867-393-3083.** When calling CTAC, please mention that you are part of the Elijah Smith Elementary School notifications.

If you are eligible for COVID-19 immunization and not yet fully immunized, please book your immunization after your isolation period has ended. For general information on COVID-19 see yukon.ca/en/covid-19-information