



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

November 11, 2021

Dear Parents, guardians, students and staff,

This letter contains amended dates for the letter sent on November 9th, informing you that Yukon Communicable Disease Control (YCDC) had been made aware of a **positive case of COVID-19 at Elijah Smith Elementary School** affecting the:

- Grade 6/7 Split Class, on **Wednesday November 3rd, Thursday November 4th and Friday November 5th**
 - Previously, the letter had stated November 5th only.

Students and staff connected to the above class have been identified as close contacts of COVID-19. You or your child may receive multiple exposure notices for different events. If you have received advice to self-isolate and advice to self-monitor, then you should self-isolate. If you have received different dates for the duration of your self-isolation or self-monitoring, then use the latest date (longest duration).

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 October 20th, **we recommend you self-monitor for symptoms through November 19th.**
- **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 October 20th, **we recommend you self-monitor for symptoms through November 19th.**
- **All others not fully immunized are recommended to self-isolate until November 15th, inclusive, and self-monitor for symptoms through November 19th.**

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 | | |

Symptoms of COVID-19 may be mild or severe and often have a different presentation in persons who are very young or older persons. While most people will experience mild illness, older adults and people with pre-existing medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness.

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.

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.

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