



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

November 7, 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 St Elias Community School in Haines Junction** affecting the following classes:

- Grade 3/4 class, on Tuesday November 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Grade 4/5 class, on Tuesday November 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Grade 6/7 class, on Tuesday November 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Grade 8 class, on Tuesday November 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Grade 10 class, on Tuesday November 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Students and staff who attended or worked in the above classes 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. After careful analysis, we recommend the following for students and staff connected to the above class:

- 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 19<sup>th</sup>, **we recommend you self-monitor for symptoms through November 16<sup>th</sup>.**
- 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 19<sup>th</sup>, **we recommend you self-monitor for symptoms through November 16<sup>th</sup>.**
- All others **not fully immunized** are recommended to self-isolate until November 12<sup>th</sup>, inclusive, and self-monitor for symptoms through November 16<sup>th</sup>.

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

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

If you develop **any** symptoms, no matter how mild, contact **the COVID Testing and Assessment Centre (CTAC) in Whitehorse at 867-393-3083 or the Haines Junction Health Centre at 867-634-4444**. When calling CTAC, please mention that you are part of the **St Elias Community School, Haines Junction** 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](https://yukon.ca/en/covid-19-information)