



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

November 10, 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 Watson Lake Secondary School** affecting the:

- Social Studies 10 on Monday November 1<sup>st</sup> through Wednesday November 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Explorations in Social Studies 11 on Monday November 1<sup>st</sup> through Wednesday November 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Physical Education 10 on Monday November 1<sup>st</sup> AND Wednesday November 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Active Living 11-12 on Monday November 1<sup>st</sup> through Wednesday November 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Students and staff who attended or worked in the above class 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 20<sup>th</sup>, **we recommend you self-monitor for symptoms through November 17<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 20<sup>th</sup>, **we recommend you self-monitor for symptoms through November 17<sup>th</sup>.**
- All others **not fully immunized** are recommended to **self-isolate until November 13<sup>th</sup>, inclusive, and self-monitor for symptoms through November 17<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:

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| • <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 Watson Lake Health Centre at 867-536-5255, or the Watson Lake Community Hospital at 867-536-4444.** When calling, please mention that you are part of the **Watson Lake Secondary 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](https://yukon.ca/en/covid-19-information)