
Regional Executive Director of Education

December 4, 2020

Good evening:

I've heard from many families and staff who say they appreciate receiving an update on COVID-19 cases and our schools on Friday afternoons. Here's what happened this week:

- Today (Friday, December 4), Public Health identified a case of COVID-19 connected to **Park West School**. Out of an abundance of caution, and in consultation with Public Health, the school will be closed to students until at least **Thursday, December 10**. This closure includes to the Pre-Primary program, which is located offsite. Staff will support students with at-home learning during the closure. Park West families can expect an update from the school on reopening on Wednesday.
- On Thursday (December 3), Public Health confirmed a positive case of COVID-19 at **Citadel High**. The school is closed to students until at least **Tuesday, December 8**. The staff is supporting students with at-home learning. Families will receive more information on Monday.
- On Tuesday (December 1), Public Health identified a case of COVID-19 connected to **St. Margaret's Bay Elementary**. The school will re-open to students on **Monday, December 7**. Staff have been supporting students with at-home learning.
- Students at **Bedford South School** will return to in-person classes on **Monday, December 7**. We've consulted with Public Health and they are supportive of staff and students returning to school.
- The second group of students and staff required to self-isolate following an exposure at **Auburn Drive High** have now completed their 14-day quarantine. No further cases of COVID-19 were identified following this exposure.
- Students at **Auburn Drive High** and **Graham Creighton Junior High** head back to in-person classes on **Monday, December 7** after two weeks of at-home learning. Staff is very excited to welcome everyone back to their buildings! Congratulations to students, staff and HRCE support teams for making this all work. You are pioneers!

Please remember:

When schools are closed following COVID-19 exposures, HRCE caretaking/custodial teams complete deep and thorough cleaning and sanitization using electrostatic sprayers before anyone returns to the building.

Thanks to all of you for your support during these challenging times. Please continue to have conversations with your children about the importance of keeping one another safe by following public health protocols. Our staff will continue to reinforce these messages in school. We are all in this together!

Stay well,



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