



## Maskwacis Education Schools Commission

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Dear Parents and Staff:

We've had some questions about our system's response to the COVID-19 (coronavirus). In response, we have the following:

- MESC will take direction from Alberta Health Services (AHS), and AHS currently advises that the risk to public health in Alberta from the COVID-19 remains low.
- The attached letter is from AHS about the COVID-19. Please review it, we are following all the advice provided in the letter.
- Please check [www.maskwacised.ca](http://www.maskwacised.ca) for further updates.

In addition to following AHS's direction, MESC will:

- Remind all students about normal precautions to take which include frequent handwashing, covering one's mouth and nose when coughing, staying at home if feeling ill, and contacting a doctor or 811 Health Link if there are any questions or concerns about their health.
- Ensure MESC's handwashing posters are located in every student and staff washroom.
- Add additional washroom checks by the custodial staff at each school.
- Continue to follow current processes for monitoring and reporting of unusual cases of illness and clusters of illness using their established Maskwacis Health Services contacts.

We remind all that health and safety are priorities in MESC and we will continue to respond rapidly to any advice we receive from AHS.

Sincerely,

Brian Wildcat  
Superintendent, Maskwacis Education Schools Commission