

Notice of a COVID-19 Outbreak at Lord Strathcona Public School

April 10, 2021

A COVID-19 outbreak has been declared at Lord Strathcona Public School

Dear Families,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that KFL&A Public Health has **declared an outbreak of COVID-19 at Lord Strathcona Public School following the identification of a second positive case. The second positive case was identified in a student in April 9, 2021.** As per provincial Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education guidance, an outbreak is declared in a school once it has been determined that two individuals have tested positive with an epidemiological link (e.g., these students/staff could have become infected with COVID-19 at school, either from each other or a common source).

We recognize that receiving this information may be stressful and we want to assure you that KFL&A Public Health and the school are taking all necessary steps to prevent further spread of the virus both in the school and the community. There is no additional risk to the school.

High-risk contacts (students in the Grade 4/5 classroom, those who ride Bus 225, and identified staff) and their household members must continue to isolate.

- It is required that high-risk contacts have a COVID-19 test on or after day 10 (April 11, 2021). If this required testing is not done, isolation will be extended an extra 10 days.
- High-risk contacts must isolate for the full 14 days (midnight on April 15, 2021) even if this test result is negative.
- Household members only need to be tested if they have symptoms.

Students and staff who are not in the Grade 4/5 classroom and who do not ride Bus 225 and who were not phoned by KFL&A Public Health can stop isolating.

- Please follow the provincial stay-at-home order, and only go out for essential reasons (including work, school, and exercise).
- Do not have close contact with people who do not live in your home.
- Continue to monitor for symptoms of COVID-19.
- If anyone in your household has or develops symptoms of COVID-19, they must self-isolate and should book an appointment at an assessment centre for testing as soon as possible. It is required that all household members isolate until the person with symptoms receives a negative COVID-19 test result or an alternative diagnosis from a health care professional.
- If you have been called by KFL&A Public Health, please follow the directions provided during that call.

For more information go to the KFL&A Public Health website at kflaph.ca, where you will find fact sheets, and information on COVID-19 symptoms and screening, self-monitoring, self-isolation, and testing. On the website you can also find the COVID-19 dashboard which provides up to date information on COVID-19 in KFL&A.

Sincerely,

KFL&A Public Health

How to get tested for COVID-19 in KFL&A:

- Visit kflaph.ca/Assessment for information on locations, hours of operation, and how to book online, or
- Call 613-548-2376 for the Kingston Assessment Centre (Beechgrove Complex-51 Heakes Lane), or
- Call 613-354-8254 for the Napanee Assessment Centre (LACGH Westdale Campus-12 Richmond Park Dr).

**Note: Personal health information may be provided to schools only for the purpose of contact tracing. Schools must protect the personal information of their students and staff. The name of the individual who tests positive for COVID-19 and their contacts will not be disclosed publicly.*