

November 27, 2020

RE: COVID-19 Occurrence BES and ERS: November 27, 2020

Dear Families of Canadian Rockies Public Schools,

Today we were informed that a student at Banff Elementary School has tested positive for COVID-19 due to an exposure through a community organization. To address this situation, this class is moving to At-Home-Learning today and will continue learning from home until December 8th at which time they can return to regular face-to-face instruction. Parents of the students in this class have been contacted by the school administration.

Furthermore, an additional class at Banff Elementary School and two classes at Elizabeth Rummel School have been impacted, as these classes have students who are close contacts of the individual from the community organization who tested positive for COVID-19. To address this situation, these classes are moving to At-Home-Learning today and will continue learning from home pending test results of the aforementioned students. Parents of the students in this class have been contacted by the school administration.

Please keep your child(ren) home from school if you know there has been a potential exposure to COVID-19, until such time as you are able to determine if the exposure has led to an infection. Children who have had direct contact with a positive case of COVID-19 must remain home and isolate for 14 days. AHS is experiencing a backlog in relation to contact tracing; therefore, if you receive any information pertaining to you or a family member regarding exposure or potential exposure to COVID-19, please inform your school administration as soon as possible.

Out of respect for the privacy of any families or children involved, we are unable to provide any further information about our most recent situation. Please refrain from phoning either the school or division office with regard to this matter.

A deep cleaning and sanitization of the classrooms will be occurring. Our facilities staff will continue to clean and disinfect the school daily as per our ongoing practice.

Our community is designated as an enhanced relaunch status. We remind parents/guardians of students, as well as any staff/visitors/volunteers, to please remain vigilant and monitor for any signs or symptoms of COVID-19. The Alberta Health Daily Checklist can be found [here](#). Please remember to complete the checklist with your child/children each day prior to attending school. For more information, the Alberta Government is continually updating the [K-12 learning during COVID](#) website.

We thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Christopher MacPhee
Superintendent of Schools