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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Until recently, Health determined what communication was permitted to be distributed as part of the investigation of a case of COVID in a school. However, on November 17, 2020 the division received official word that the practice is changing. Schools now have responsibility to manage some of that communication, within the bounds of privacy legislation and protocols.

A case of COVID-19 has been diagnosed in an individual at Canwood Public School. We are working closely with Public Health staff to ensure necessary measures are in place to protect all students. All students are asked to self-monitor for COVID symptoms. Students and some staff in grades 7-12 are required to self-isolate until November 28th. Students and staff required to self-isolate will be receiving further instructions. Regular classes are scheduled for students in Pre-K to grade six. Public Health is managing the investigation and will contact any individuals necessary as part of the investigation.

The virus spreads from person to person by large, respiratory droplets, like from a cough or sneeze. We remind everyone entering schools to monitor for any signs or symptoms of COVID-19. Refer to the Daily Self-Assessment Checklist. Please complete this before attending school each day. If you/your child has any symptoms of COVID-19, please call HealthLine at 811 and remain at home. If medical attention is required, please call ahead to your health care provider. If it is an emergency requiring urgent attention, call 911.

We will continue to provide additional information to parents/guardians as it is available. For further information regarding COVID-19, please call Health Line at 811, and/or visit the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health website at <u>www.saskatchewan.ca/covid19</u>. Sincerely,

Sincerely, Mr. Brian Linn