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SCHOOL DISTRICT 41

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RE: School Community Member Tested Positive for COVID-19

Dear Families,

I am writing to let you know that a member of the École Aubrey Elementary school community has tested positive for COVID-19. They are self-isolating at home with support from public health.

We are working with the Fraser Health Authority as they undertake contact tracing to determine if any other members of our school community were in contact with the person who tested positive for COVID-19, and if any additional steps are required. We are following the protocol established for these circumstances:

- Fraser Health is performing contact tracing,
- Fraser Health will determine if anyone in the school community was in contact with the person who tested positive for COVID-19 while they were potentially infectious, and
- Fraser Health will determine if anyone in the school community is a close contact that is required to self-isolate.

Only Fraser Health can determine who is a close contact. If you are contacted by the Fraser Health Authority, please follow their advice. If you are not contacted by the Fraser Health Authority, it has been determined that your child is not at risk of developing COVID-19.

We understand you may have more questions, however for privacy reasons, we cannot provide any further details.

Please know that the health, safety and well-being of our students, families, and staff remains our highest priority. Our school will continue to implement the strict protocols and procedures we have in place, so that students can continue to attend school as safely as possible. Please be assured that in addition to our regular vigilant cleaning, we have initiated a deep clean protocol at the school.

We are advised by Fraser Health that students should continue to come into class while contact tracing is underway. As a reminder, please continue to do the daily health check to monitor your child for illness. If you have questions or concerns about COVID-19, please call 8-1-1.

Please find attached an early notification letter from Fraser Health with additional information. We will continue to work closely with our local health authority to provide ongoing communication as required.

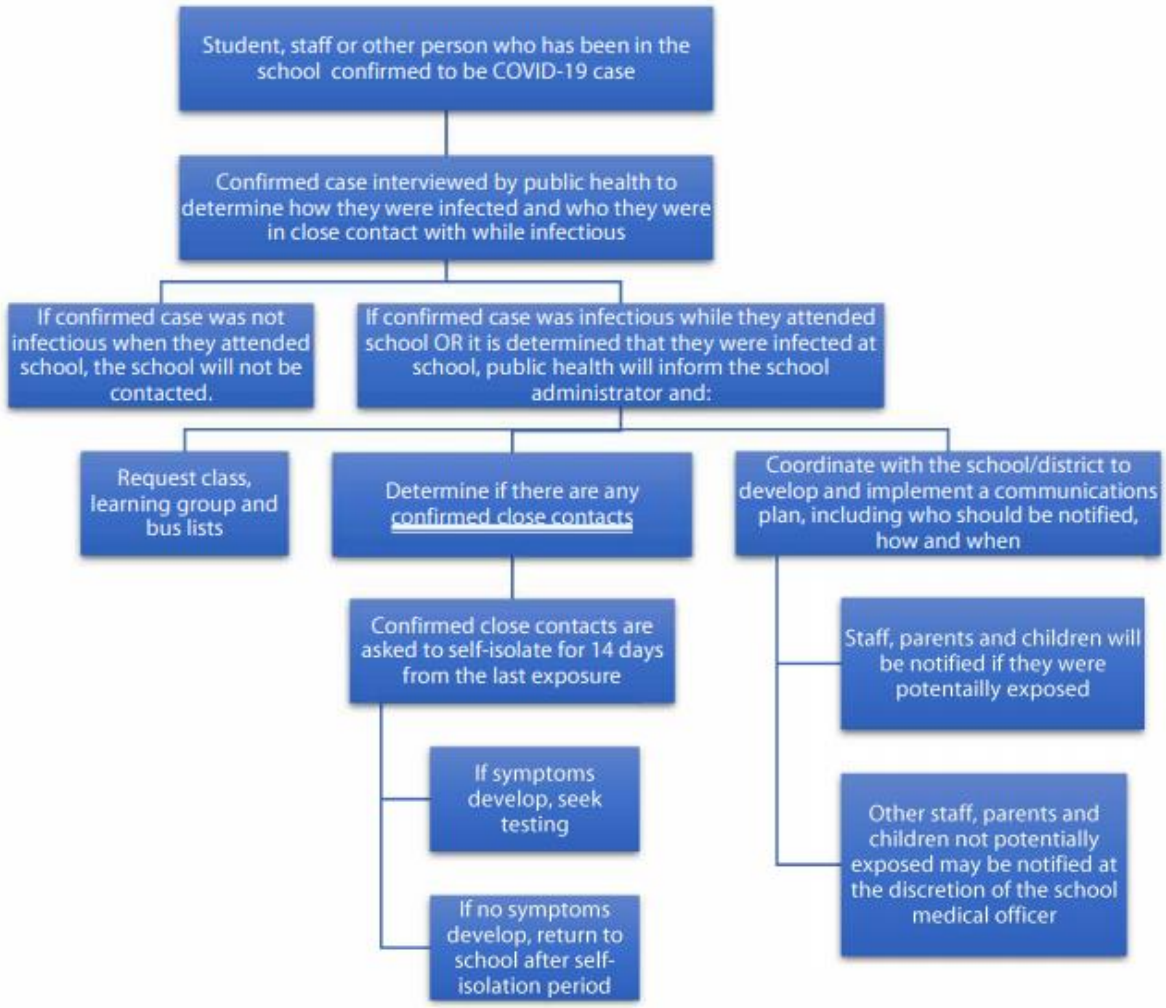
I want to thank you in advance for your kindness and compassion to everyone in our school community.

Sincerely,

Lisa Hartman, Principal
École Aubrey Elementary

Flow chart provided by the Ministry of Education to all school districts in BC

Figure A: Public Health Actions in Response to Confirmed Case of COVID-19 in a School



Confirmed close contacts are determined based on the length of time of exposure and nature of the interaction. ***Only public health can determine who is a close contact.***

The above chart is located in the **"COVID-19 Protocols for School and District Administrators"** document:
https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/administration/kindergarten-to-grade-12/safe-caring-orderly/covid-19-protocols-for-administrators.pdf
These protocols were created by the Ministry of Education, The Ministry of Health and the BC Centre for Disease Control.