



Elmworth School Newsletter



November 2, 2020

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A Message from the Principal...

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It is already November! We have had a busy and exciting October, with our young leadership team planning and hosting an exciting and well organized Halloween carnival for the students. Thank you once again to Amy McGladdery for letting us use her decorations and games. Thanks to Mrs. Smith for helping out with creating and distributing treat bags. She learned a great many new Halloween jokes and fun facts from the students.

Parent Teacher interviews had a good turn out and we had the opportunity to share Identity Day projects with the parents. Students will be presenting these projects to their cohorts in the next two weeks during the hour previously planned for mentorship hour. I would like to extend a huge thank you to Anna Collins for treating the teachers to a wonderful dinner and dessert for Parent Teacher Interview night. We are sincerely grateful!!

Looking forward to a hopefully gentle transition to winter.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Gauthier

Dates to Remember

- Nov. 2 Early Dismissal at 3 pm
- Nov. 11 Remembrance Day
(No School)
- Nov. 16 School Council Meeting
at 7:00 pm
- Nov. 20 PD Day (No School)
- Nov. 26 Jersey Day
Report Cards
- Nov. 27 CSW (No School)
- Nov. 30 Term 2 Begins

Office Hours

Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Closed on CSW days and holidays.

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Halloween



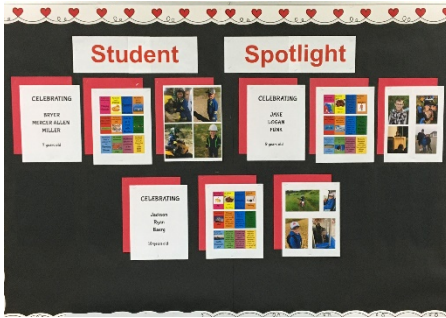
Thank you Amy McGladdery for decorating the entrance for Halloween. It was spook-tacular!

CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to Isabelle Baerg, Lincoln Gillis, Dace Grinde, Chloe Baerg, Keltie Hawryluk, Patrick Cheryk, and Charlie Grinde, all winners of the Halloween Guess How Many Candies In The Jar Contest.



Student Spotlight



The current Student Spotlight features Bryer Miller, Jake Funk, and Jackson Baerg.

Bryer is 7 years old and in grade 1. His favorite thing about Elmworth School is that it is close to his house. His favorite school subject is PE, his favorite school activity is playing outside, and his favorite sport is soccer. When he grows up, he wants to be a farmer, in fact, his favorite books to read are about farming and his favorite things to watch on TV are farming shows. He likes to go to work with his dad, his favorite food is pizza, and his favorite animals are cats. The farthest place Bryer has travelled to is Mexico, but his favorite place to be is out here, in the country.

Jake is 9 years old and in grade 4. His favorite thing about Elmworth School is that there are lots of different people. His favorite school subject is Art, his favorite sport is hockey, and his favorite book is "Five Minute Hockey Stories". When he grows up, he wants to be an oil and gas operator and a farmer. He likes to go camping, fishing, and sledding, and play

board games, card games, sports, and mini sticks with his family. His favorite food is chicken wings and his favorite animals are cougars because they jump far and run fast. He has been to Disneyland but his favorite place to visit is Fort Saskatchewan. If Jake could travel back in time he would go to Hawaii and if he could, he would invent a money maker to make life easier for people.

Jackson is 10 years old and in grade 5. His favorite thing about Elmworth School is that everyone is friends with everyone and no one is left out. His favorite school subject is Art, his favorite sport is hockey, and his favorite books are "Snow Treasure" and "Banner in the Sky". When he grows up, he wants to be a businessman, but if he could travel back in time, he would go to the 1950s and be a private detective. He likes to ride dirt bikes, go skating, go camping, and take trips with his family. His favorite food is his mom's beef stew and his favorite animals are tortoises because they can live for so long and they have really interesting shells. The farthest place Jackson has travelled to is Portland, Oregon, in the USA, but his favorite place to visit is Seattle, Washington, also in the USA. To make life easier for people, if he could, Jackson would invent a robot that would clean up oil spills and save animals.

If you would like to see your child(ren) featured in the Student Spotlight, and if you have not already done so, please click on the following link and help him or her answer the questions on the questionnaire.

Student Spotlight

If you have a favorite picture you would like to add to the Student Spotlight, please email it to heathersmith@pwpsd.ca. If you would prefer a paper copy of the questionnaire, please contact the school at the same email address.

Remembrance Day





This year, in honor of Remembrance Day, each teacher will have a link to our slide show ceremony, which will be shown at the same time in each classroom. Emma Murray and Alexis Ferguson will recite "In Flanders Field" ending with a moment of silence on Tuesday, Nov 10 @ 10:30 am. There is no school on Wednesday, November 11, 2020.

Poppies are available at the office beginning Mon. November 2, 2020. A donation to The Royal Canadian Legion is appreciated.

ELMWORTH SCHOOL

November 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Daylight Saving Time Ends	2 Early Dismissal @ 3:00	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Remembrance Day (No School) 	12	13	14
15	16 School Council Meeting at 7:00 pm	17	18	19	20 PD Day (No School)	21
22	23	24	25	26 Report Cards  Jersey Day	27 CSW (No School)	28
29	30 Term 2 Begins					

COVID-19 ALBERTA HEALTH DAILY CHECKLIST

Overview

This tool has been developed to support schools, activity organizers, employers, businesses and facility operators in reducing the risk of transmission of COVID-19 among attendees/staff. The tool is meant to be used to assist with assessing attendees who may be symptomatic, or who may have been exposed to someone who is ill or has confirmed COVID-19.

Attendees should complete this checklist prior to participating in the activity or program. Children and youth may need a parent to assist them to complete this screening tool.

If an individual answers **YES** to any of the questions, they **must not** be allowed to attend or participate in the activity or program. *Individuals with fever, cough, shortness of breath, runny nose, or sore throat, are required to isolate for 10 days per [CMOH Order 05-2020](#) unless they receive a negative COVID-19 test and are feeling better. Use the [AHS Online Assessment Tool](#) to determine if testing is recommended and follow information on [isolation requirements](#).

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve, this screening tool will be updated as required.

Screening Questions

1.	Does the attendee have any new onset (or worsening) of any of the following symptoms:	CIRCLE ONE	
	• <i>Fever*</i>	YES	NO
	• <i>Cough*</i>	YES	NO
	• <i>Shortness of breath / difficulty breathing*</i>	YES	NO
	• <i>Runny nose*</i>	YES	NO
	• <i>Sore throat*</i>	YES	NO
	• Chills	YES	NO
	• Painful swallowing	YES	NO
	• Nasal congestion	YES	NO
	• Feeling unwell / fatigued	YES	NO
	• Nausea / vomiting / diarrhea	YES	NO
	• Unexplained loss of appetite	YES	NO
	• Loss of sense of taste or smell	YES	NO
	• Muscle/ joint aches	YES	NO
	• Headache	YES	NO
	• Conjunctivitis (commonly known as pink eye)	YES	NO
2.	Has the attendee travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days ¹ ?	YES	NO
3.	Has the attendee had close contact ² with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 14 days?	YES	NO
4.	Has the attendee had close contact with an individual who has any one of the first 5 symptoms on this list (shaded) AND who is a close contact of a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 14 days?	YES	NO

¹ Individuals legally required to quarantine for 14 days when entering or returning to Alberta from outside Canada

² Face-to-face contact within 2 metres. A health care worker in an occupational setting wearing recommended personal protective equipment is not considered to be a close contact.

HOW LONG TO STAY HOME FROM SCHOOL

A student who is required to isolate due to symptoms may return to school—**before 10 days**—if they test negative for COVID-19 and no longer have symptoms, as long as they have not been identified as a close contact of a case of COVID-19. For more details: [Isolation requirements](#)

If a student has these symptoms

What to do

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Runny nose
- Sore throat

- Isolate at home for a minimum of 10 days from when symptoms started or until symptoms resolve, whichever is longer.
- COVID-19 test recommended.
- Can return to school before 10 days only if a COVID-19 test is negative, symptoms are gone, and the student is not a close contact of someone with COVID-19.
- If test results are positive, isolate at home for at least 10 days and follow instructions received from Alberta Health Services.

- Chills
- Painful swallowing
- Stuffy nose
- Headache
- Muscle or joint aches
- Feeling unwell, fatigue or severe exhaustion
- Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or unexplained loss of appetite
- Loss of sense of smell or taste
- Pink eye (conjunctivitis)

- Stay home from school until symptoms go away—**not** required to isolate for 10 days.
- COVID-19 test recommended.
- If test results are positive, isolate at home for at least 10 days and follow instructions received from Alberta Health Services.

COVID-19 Guidance for Parents of Children Attending School and/or Childcare

Your child has one or more of these COVID-19 symptoms: Fever • Cough (new cough or worsening chronic cough) • Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing (new or worsening) • Runny nose • Sore throat

Note: Chronic symptoms that can be explained by a pre-existing medical condition (e.g. allergies) would be considered part of the child's baseline health status. As long as these symptoms do not change, the child can continue to attend school/childcare. A child should have one negative COVID-19 test to establish this baseline.



Guidance

Your child is legally required to **isolate**

A COVID-19 test is recommended

Testing

Decide if your child will be tested for COVID-19

Yes

Do:

Book a COVID-19 test for your child

- Online: ahs.ca/covid
- By phone: Call Health Link at 811



Try to book a test that is within 24 hours of your child's symptoms starting

Do:

Go to the COVID-19 test with your child

No

OR

Before you have your child's test result

Test Result

Do:

Get your child's COVID-19 test result



It may take 1 to 3 days to get your child's test result

- All individuals who test positive for COVID-19 will be contacted by a member of the AHS Public Health team for follow-up and case management
- For more information about getting your child's COVID-19 test result, go to ahs.ca/results



Positive Test Result



Negative Test Result

Next Steps

Have you been told by AHS that your child is a close contact of a person who tested positive for COVID-19?

Yes

No

What to do

Your child is legally required to stay home and **isolate** for **10 days from the start of symptoms**, or until they are gone, whichever is longer.

Household members must stay home for 14 days.

What to do

Your child is legally required to stay home and **isolate** for **14 days from their last exposure to a confirmed case of COVID-19**.

Household members are **not** required to isolate as long as they are asymptomatic.

What to do

Your child is no longer legally required to isolate, but should stay home from school, childcare and other public spaces until they feel better.

What to do

Your child is legally required to stay home and **isolate** for **14 days from their last exposure to a confirmed case of COVID-19**.

If your child has symptoms after these 14 days have passed, they should stay home from school, childcare and other public places until they feel better.

Household members should stay home for 14 days.

What to do

Your child is legally required to stay home and **isolate** for **10 days from the start of symptoms**, or until they are gone, whichever is longer.

Household members are **not** required to isolate as long as they are asymptomatic.

COVID-19 Guidance for Parents of Children Attending School and/or Childcare

Your child has one of more of these COVID-19 symptoms: Chills • Painful swallowing • Stuffy nose • Headache • Muscle or joint aches • Feeling unwell, fatigue or severe exhaustion • Gastrointestinal symptoms (nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or unexplained loss of appetite) • Loss of sense of smell or taste • Conjunctivitis, commonly known as pink eye



Note: Chronic symptoms that can be explained by a pre-existing medical condition (e.g. allergies) would be considered part of the child's baseline health status. As long as these symptoms do not change, the child can continue to attend school/childcare. A child should have one negative COVID-19 test to establish this baseline.

Guidance

Your child should not attend school/childcare if they are feeling unwell

A COVID-19 test is recommended

Testing

Note: If your child feels better while waiting to receive their test result, they can return to school, as long as they are not a close contact of a person who tested positive for COVID-19.

Decide if your child will be tested for COVID-19

Yes

Do:

Book a COVID-19 test for your child

- Online: ahs.ca/covid
- By phone: Call Health Link at 811



Try to book a test that is within 24 hours of your child's symptoms starting

Do:

Go to the COVID-19 test with your child

No

OR

Before you have your child's test result

Test Result

Do:

Get your child's COVID-19 test result



It may take 1 to 3 days to get your child's test result

- All individuals who test positive for COVID-19 will be contacted by a member of the AHS Public Health team for follow-up and case management
- For more information about getting your child's COVID-19 test result, go to ahs.ca/results



Positive Test Result



Negative Test Result

Next Steps

Have you been told by AHS that your child is a close contact of a person who tested positive for COVID-19?

Yes

No

What to do

Your child is legally required to stay home and **isolate** for **10 days from the start of symptoms**, or until they are gone, whichever is longer.

Household members must stay home for 14 days.

What to do

Your child is legally required to stay home and **isolate** for **14 days from their last exposure to a confirmed case of COVID-19**.

Household members are **not** required to isolate as long as they are asymptomatic.

What to do

Your child should stay home from school, childcare and other public spaces until they feel better.

Have you been told by AHS that your child is a close contact of a person who tested positive for COVID-19?

Yes

No

What to do

Your child is legally required to stay home and **isolate** for **14 days from their last exposure to a confirmed case of COVID-19**.

If your child has symptoms after these 14 days have passed, they should stay home from school, childcare and other public places until they feel better.

Household members are **not** required to isolate as long as they are asymptomatic

What to do

Your child should stay home from school, childcare and other public spaces until they feel better.

COVID-19 Guidance for Parents of Children Attending School and/or Childcare

Your child is asymptomatic and has been identified as a close contact of a person who tested positive for COVID-19.

Note: Asymptomatic means that your child has **none** of the following symptoms: fever, cough (new cough or worsening chronic cough), shortness of breath or difficulty breathing (new or worsening), runny nose, sore throat, chills, painful swallowing, stuffy nose, headache, muscle or joint ache, feeling unwell, fatigue or severe exhaustion, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or unexplained loss of appetite, loss of sense of smell or taste, conjunctivitis (pink eye)



Guidance

Your child is legally required to isolate for 14 days


A COVID-19 test is recommended

Testing

Decide if your child will be tested for COVID-19

Yes

Do: Book a COVID-19 test for your child

- Online: ahs.ca/covid
 - By phone: Call Health Link at 811
-  Try to book a test that is within 24 hours of when you were told about the close contact

Do: Go to the COVID-19 test with your child

No

OR

Before you have your child's test result

Test Result

Do: Get your child's COVID-19 test result

 It may take 1 to 3 days to get your child's test result

- All individuals who test positive for COVID-19 will be contacted by a member of the AHS Public Health team for follow-up and case management
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Positive Test Result



Negative Test Result

Next Steps

What to do

Your child is legally required to isolate for **10 days from the date of their COVID-19 test**.

Household members must stay home for 14 days.

What to do

Your child is legally required to stay home and isolate for **14 days from their last exposure to a confirmed case of COVID-19**.

If your child develops symptoms at any point during their 14 day isolation, or after, they should be retested for COVID-19.

Household members are **not** required to isolate as long as they are asymptomatic.

What to do

Your child is legally required to stay home and isolate for **14 days from their last exposure to a confirmed case of COVID-19**.

If your child develops symptoms at any point during their 14 day isolation, or after, they should be tested for COVID-19.

Household members are **not** required to isolate as long as they are asymptomatic.