

September 19, 2021

RE: R.L. BEATTIE STUDENTS ON ONE BUS RUN REQUIRED TO SELF-ISOLATE

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Public Health Sudbury & Districts advised the Sudbury Student Services Consortium that students from R.L. Beattie Public School **on one bus run** are required to self-isolate. This is due to a possible exposure to COVID-19 related to the Grade 6 class in Room 200 that was dismissed earlier this week. A third student subsequently tested positive for COVID-19 while at home self-isolating.

By direction of Public Health, students on the morning run on bus Route L819 have been asked to self-isolate. The affected students, their parents/guardians and relevant bus driver have been notified and have received a letter from Public Health with guidance.

R.L. Beattie Public School remains open for in-person learning.

The school will follow up with affected students to ensure continuity of learning.

For students and staff who have not been asked to self-isolate as part of this confirmed case, the following applies:

- Simply passing by an infected person in the hallway is not considered close contact, and the risk of spreading the virus this way is extremely low.
- Remember to screen for COVID-19 daily. Continue to use the **COVID-19 Screening Tool for Children in School and Child Care** <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/> to monitor for symptoms and follow the direction provided. **Anyone who is sick must stay home.**

Remember to follow the critical ongoing COVID-19 prevention measures:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Sneeze and cough into your sleeve.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.
- Stay home and [isolate](#) if symptoms appear.
- Practise two-metre physical distancing.
- **Wear a mask** at all times in indoor public spaces.

When outdoors, students are encouraged to maintain physical distancing.

We are monitoring our school population closely for any signs of COVID-19 and following the guidance from Public Health.



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Public Health continues to investigate the situation and if any further risks to the school community are identified, they may direct additional measures.

Updated information will be posted on the Board's COVID-19 Advisory Section:
<https://www.rainbowschools.ca/parents/covid-19/covid-19-advisory-2021-2022/>

If you have any questions regarding COVID-19 or the measures taken to address COVID-19, please visit www.phsd.ca/COVID-19 or contact Public Health Sudbury & Districts at 705.522.9200 ext. 524.

Thank you for working together to keep everyone safe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "B. Bourget".

Bruce Bourget
Director of Education