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## RE: CHILDCARE CENTRE CLOSED DUE TO A CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID-19

Dear Parents/Guardians and Staff at Churchill Public School:

Rainbow District School Board has been advised by the service provider that a confirmed case of COVID-19 has been reported at the childcare centre at Churchill Public School. Public Health Sudbury & Districts will follow up directly with close contacts. The childcare centre is closed and will re-open on Tuesday, November 23, 2021.

All childcare program participants are required to self-isolate to and including November 22, 2021, including children in the before and after school program. The affected children and their parents/guardians have been notified and have received a letter from Public Health with specific guidance. Churchill Public School will follow up with affected students to ensure continuity of learning.

While the school does not operate the childcare centre, it is an important part of our school community. For this reason, we wanted all of our school community to be informed. At this time, there has been no Public Health direction related to the school as a result of the confirmed case at the childcare centre. In an abundance of caution, however, we are implementing enhanced cleaning and disinfecting before classes begin in the morning.

Please screen for COVID-19 daily. Continue to use the COVID-19 Screening Tool for School and Child Care <a href="https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/">https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/</a> 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 will monitor our school population closely for any signs of COVID-19 and follow the guidance from Public Health. Updated information will be posted on the Board's COVID-19 Advisory Section: <a href="https://www.rainbowschools.ca/parents/covid-19/covid-19-advisory-2021-2022/">https://www.rainbowschools.ca/parents/covid-19/covid-19-advisory-2021-2022/</a>

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.

Bruce Bourget
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