

DAILY COVID-19 SCHOOL AND CHILD CARE SCREENING REMINDERS

Dear York Region parents and guardians:

Thank you for continuing to screen your children before sending them to school and childcare every day. As expected, by moving to a one symptom screen we are noticing more schools having cohorts dismissed, helping to keep COVID out of the schools and the school community safe. We want to thank you all for your commitment to these public health measures designed to keep our loved ones safe.

We still need your help though by following these important reminders which are in place to ensure children aren't bringing COVID into the school or childcare setting:

- If a student/child/staff/essential visitor is symptomatic, **or has a household member who is symptomatic**, they are required to stay home without exemption, even for essential reasons (except for medical care), until the symptomatic individual tests negative. **This means they should NOT be attending school or childcare.**
- If a student/child/staff/essential visitor is in a dismissed cohort or has been identified as a high risk close contact, they are required to stay home without exemption, even for essential reasons (except for medical care), for the duration of the self-isolation period outlined in the dismissal letter, or as advised by York Region Public Health. **This means they should NOT be attending school or childcare.**
- If a student/child/staff/essential visitor **lives in a household** with someone who is part a dismissed cohort or has been identified as a high risk close contact, they are required to stay home from school and child care for the duration of the self-isolation period of the affected household member. **This means they should NOT be attending school or childcare.**
- If a student/child/staff/essential visitor has travelled internationally, or **lives in a household** with someone who has travelled internationally within the last 14 days, they must stay home, without exemption, from school and child care for the entire isolation period of the traveller. **This means they should NOT be attending school or childcare.**

Please remember to complete the daily screen found at www.york.ca/safeatschool and thank you for your ongoing commitment to keeping schools and child care centres safe!

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