

École Seven Daks Middle School

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Dear families.

As you are aware, the province has declared a period of remote learning for one week between January 10th and 14th. Teachers are working hard to prepare themselves for this week and return to a model we have used before. Manitoba Health and Education has indicated that this week is intended for schools to be able to prepare for the return of students to in-person learning on January 17th. Your child's teacher will connect with their students directly to outline the learning plan for next week.

We have a limited number of Chromebooks we can lend to students who need this technology to access Google classroom. If you require a Chromebook please make this request directly to your child's classroom teacher. Please note these will need to be picked up from the school on **Friday**, **Jan. 7**th and returned to the school on **Monday**, **Jan. 17**th.

As we have done in the past, we will offer in-person instruction for children in **Grade 6 whose** caregivers are both Critical Service Workers and who do not have childcare or other arrangements. Please note, any student attending in person with symptoms will be sent home. Critical Service Workers are defined as:

- Health / Health Services
- Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education Providers (all teachers, administrators and support staff)
- Child Care Workers
- Law Enforcement
- · Corrections Workers
- Emergency service workers (Fire and Paramedic First Responders, Police)
- Direct Social Services and Child Protection Workers
- Those who provide critical services to Manitobans such as front-line natural resource workers, essential supply chain staff (e.g. truck drivers delivering food, medications and other essential goods; food industry staff working in food processing plants, etc.) gas stations attendants and grocery store staff.

If you are a Critical Service Worker as defined above and your child in grade 6 needs to attend school next week, please let your child's classroom teacher know by **noon on Friday**, **January 7**th. Busses will operate for these students. No student can be at school if they are presenting any COVID symptoms.



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Finally, we have had questions regarding Rapid Tests. We have been informed that we will receive **5 Rapid Tests per Grade 6 student**. These tests are to be distributed next Friday, January 14th. We will communicate more details on this next week.

We hope to see our students back in classrooms on January 17th and will provide any necessary updates closer to that time.

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January 6, 2021

Dear Parent / Guardian:

On January 4th the Province of Manitoba announced a phased reopening of schools beginning January 10th.

The week of January 10th to 14th most students will be learning remotely.

Parents / Guardians of Kindergarten to Grade 6 students who work in critical services as defined by the province and are not able to make alternate arrangements as well as parents/guardians of children with additional needs will be invited to bring their children to school for in-person learning.

In-class learning for all students will resume January 17th.

We will continue to take all reasonable steps to keep our schools safe.

Medical Masks Required

All staff and students will be required to wear medical grade masks (schools will have them on hand).

Stay Home When III

It is more important than ever that students and staff stay home when they have cold and flu symptoms.

Vaccines Remain Our Best Defense

Families are encouraged to get themselves and their children vaccinated as soon as possible. Vaccination is effective at preventing serious illness, hospitalization and death.

Rapid Antigen Tests

We have a supply of Rapid Antigen Tests for the use of Kindergarten to Grade 6 students that schools will distribute to families late next week. The tests are easy to use and will provide an added measure of security.

Ventilation

All our schools are in full compliance with Province of Manitoba guidelines.

This is a challenging time for us all. Thanks to our staff for their perseverance and dedication. Thanks to you for your cooperation and support. It will get better.

Sincerely,

Brian P. O'Lean Superintendent

BPO/dlh