October 16, 2020

Dear ASD-S Families,

**UPDATE:** Moncton (Zone 1) and Campbellton (Zone 5) Health Regions (Orange zones) **Re**: Reduction in Restrictions

This week we have provided several updates regarding health and safety requirements related to the Moncton and Campbellton regions. Although ASD-S remains in the Yellow zone, the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, with Public Health, further updated their guidance for staff and students on Oct. 15.

Individuals who have travelled to the Moncton or Campbellton regions since October 9 must follow the **updated guidelines** below for a period of **14 days** from the day they returned to our region. <u>This no</u> longer applies to others in the same household or those who hosted individuals from those regions.

This only applies to the individual who has travelled and does not apply to other members of the same <u>household</u>. It is recommended that members of the household self-monitor and get tested if they develop any symptoms of COVID-19.

- Students in Grades K-12 are required to wear a mask on a school bus, even when sitting with a sibling or alone.
- For students in Grades 9-12, masks are required at all times when at school, including outside, except when in play during sports activities and physical education class or when they are eating. Students should remain 2 metres apart when eating.
- For students in Grades K-8, masks are required at all times when at school, including outside, except when they are sitting at a desk working silently, in play during sports activities and physical education class, or eating. Students should remain 2 metres apart when eating.
- For all school personnel, masks are required at all times when at school, except when they are eating or sitting alone in their closed office or classroom.
- Wind instruments and singing are not permitted.
- Everyone who has travelled to an orange zone is prohibited from participating in all intramural, interscholastic, and extra-curricular activities for **14 days**.

If a student or staff member lives in a house where others travelled to the Moncton or Campbellton regions, they do not need to follow these requirements. **These measures apply only to the individuals who have travelled.** 

Public Health has stated there should be no non-essential travel to these areas and anyone who travels to these areas while they are in the Orange phase will need to follow the guidelines above for 14 days upon their return.

Please see the <u>GNB website</u> for the latest and most up-to-date COVID-19 information. We ask all families to continue reminding students about the importance of hand washing/sanitizing; practicing good cough/sneeze etiquette; physical distancing; wearing a clean face mask; and monitoring for symptoms. If you have symptoms, you can visit <u>this site</u> to do a self-assessment and book a COVID-19 test.

Thank you for your understanding as we work together to follow the safety guidelines provided to us by Public Health and EECD.

Zoë Watson,

Superintendent