Barnhill does their Best! Better Every Single Time.

October 7th, 2021

Hello to our Barnhill Memorial Community,

Barnhill Memorial School is following the guidelines set by Public Health and Anglophone South School District to keep our school community as safe as possible. If you have a question about whether your child should attend school, please call 811.

We would like to give you the opportunity to share with the main office your child’s proof of vaccination. The reason we are offering this to all students is because the government has made some changes to the plan for when a positive case happens in our schools. We DO NOT require a COPY of the proof, just the ability to see it so that we can document the yes/no status. If your child has already shown the proof for an athletic team or club, they do not need to show it again.

On Tuesday, ASD-S shared information with families about new rapid testing (COVID - 19) program that will be available to unvaccinated students if there is a confirmed case at a school. This will allow students who have been identified as a close contact to potentially return to school before the end of the isolation period determined by Public Health.

With this program, if our school has a confirmed case of COVID – 19, unvaccinated students identified as close contacts will be offered rapid tests to be completed at home. These students will be required to self-isolate for at least one day, and unless otherwise advised by Public Health, they will be able to return to school as soon as they have two consecutive negative rapid tests and no symptoms. If a student receives a positive COVID – 19 rapid test or displays ONE symptom, they must stay at home and contact Public Health. Students who do not participate in this program will be required to stay home and self – isolate for a length of time determined by Public Health.

This program will begin province wide on Tuesday, October 12, 2021.

Communication is important to us and please reach out with any questions or suggestions. We value the home-school partnership and know that together, we will work to create a positive and engaging school experience for your child.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 658-5971 or [jill.ferguson@nbed.nb.ca](mailto:jill.ferguson@nbed.nb.ca)

Thank you.

Ms. Jill Ferguson