

Parkland School Division School Staff and Students School Entry Protocol

This School Entry Protocol is ONLY for those school staff members and students who attend the school on a regular basis. Visitors, volunteers and staff members who are not regularly in school should review and sign the *Visitor Entry Protocol*.

COVID-19 can be spread by infected individuals who have not yet, or who may never develop symptoms. It is our shared responsibility to ensure our staff and students are healthy in school. This Facility Entry Protocol exists as part of a number of new school safety measures to combat COVID-19. The health questionnaire supports a transition toward a culture where our staff and students stay home when they are ill. The strategy is built on a foundation of awareness, trust and shared responsibility.

Mask use is mandatory for all Alberta Grade 4 to 12 students, and all school staff, visitors and volunteers as per Ministerial direction. Please refer to the Parkland School Division Mask Protocol.

The COVID-19 Screening Questionnaire shall be reviewed each day by all school staff and students prior to coming to school. No paper documents will be submitted by parents/guardians. It is not necessary for schools to keep a daily copy of this questionnaire.

Answering "yes" to any of these questions means that an individual must complete the Alberta Health Services Online Assessment tool and follow the directions. The results from the Alberta Health Services <u>Online Assessment</u> <u>Tool</u> will determine whether or not you may enter the school.

In Alberta, individuals are LEGALLY REQUIRED to self-isolate if:

- You test positive for COVID-19.
- You have a cough, fever, shortness of breath, runny nose, or sore throat that is not related to a pre-existing illness or health condition.
- You have been in contact with someone known to have COVID-19.
- You have travelled outside Canada within the last 14 days.

In Alberta, individuals **DO NOT** have to self-isolate if:

- You are awaiting asymptomatic test results (in this case, you have none of the symptoms listed).
- You have no symptoms of illness.
- You have symptoms of illness that are related to a pre-existing illness or health condition.
- You have tested negative for COVID-19.
- You have tested negative for COVID-19 and have a cough, fever, shortness of breath, runny nose, or sore throat that is not related to a pre-existing illness or health condition. We do always suggest you stay home when sick with any illness, until symptoms resolve; however, if your COVID test is negative, this is not legally required.

Screening Requirements for School Entry – Parkland School Division

- Each day, staff and students must consider the questions on the Fit for School Assessment (below) before coming to school.
- It is the ongoing responsibility of staff and students to comply with the screening requirements.
- It is the responsibility of parents and staff to help their children comply with the screening requirements.
- Children and youth will need a parent to assist them to complete this screening tool.

Answering "yes" to any of these questions means that an individual must complete the Alberta Health Services <u>Online</u> <u>Assessment tool</u> and follow the directions. The results from the online Assessment Tool will determine whether or not you may enter the school.

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* "unprotected" means close contact without appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE).

** "ill" means someone with COVID-19 symptoms on the list above.

If you have answered "Yes" to any of the above questions, please DO NOT enter the school at this time UNTIL YOU USE the COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool to determine whether you need to be tested for COVID-19 or self-isolate.

If testing is recommended (student):

- Provide notice to the school (through the school's attendance system) that your child will be absent from school.
- Schedule a COVID-19 test as soon as possible: <u>https://myhealth.alberta.ca/Journey/COVID-19/Pages/COVID-Self-Assessment.aspx</u>
- You may return to school pending the results of the test (no COVID detected).

If testing is recommended (school staff)

- Provide notice to school administration that you are expecting to be absent and make appropriate accommodation through your school administration.
- Schedule a COVID-19 test as soon as possible: <u>https://myhealth.alberta.ca/Journey/COVID-19/Pages/COVID-Self-Assessment.aspx</u>
- You may return to school pending the results of the test (no COVID detected).