



**PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE SCHOOL DIVISION**  
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November 6, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Today, the Manitoba Government announced that the Southern Health Region will be placed into Red Level (Critical) effective Monday, November 9, 2020. Under the direction of Manitoba Education, all PLPSD schools will remain in Orange Level (Restricted) for K to 12 students.

At this time, we will continue with regular in-person learning. The PLPSD is not yet implementing a remote learning option as students benefit most from in person engagement with their teacher and classmates - should the situation change we will revise our strategy.

Schools have begun utilizing additional specialized areas for regular instruction in order to achieve 2M of physical distancing. Schools are now using gymnasiums, music rooms, libraries and multipurpose rooms. As a precautionary measure, for schools with high enrollment, the division is exploring the use of alternate locations to relocate some cohorts to in order to provide greater physical separation.

We are not seeing evidence of COVID-19 transmission in our schools and we continue to monitor the situation closely in coordination with Public Health and Manitoba Education. The Portage la Prairie School Division has implemented many proactive measures to keep students and staff safe during the pandemic.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the administrator of the school that your child attends.

Sincerely,

R. Todd Cuddington  
Superintendent/Secretary Treasurer  
Portage la Prairie School Division