Confirmed Positive Student/Staff

School Decision Guide

Valid as of Sept 7, 2020





OPH is informed of a positive test result of an individual at school

Principal is informed of a positive test result of an individual at school. Principal contacts CSST nurse

OPH confirms positive result and confirms period of communicability at school. OPH will contact the individual with the positive result and begin case management investigation

OPH CSST will contact the principal, the superintendent and the school board to inform them that there is a confirmed positive test result of an individual at their school

OPH CSST nurse will provide the school with a letter to all parents/quardians and staff to inform them of an individual with a positive test result and the next steps

This individual should already be isolated at home, as per guidelines provided to all who are tested. If not, Principal should ensure they isolate from others immediately and are sent home

OPH CSST nurse will contact the principal in order to obtain the required student and staff lists. The investigation will be based on dates, duration and proximity of interactions, and PPE worn in order to assess exposure risk

As per letter to all parents/quardians and staff about the process sent from OPH through the school, OPH CM will contact parents/guardians/students and staff that are identified as close contacts by OPH, to provide isolation and testing instructions

OPH CM will be in contact with the individual with the positive result and close contacts regularly until discharged by OPH

"Do Not Attend List" will be provided daily by OPH with student/staff names who are not to attend school. Schools must ensure compliance



*Secure File Transfer must be used in communicating details between school setting and OPH.

IPAC – Infection Prevention and Control

PPE – Personal Protective Equipment

CSST – COVID-19 School Support Team **OPH** – Ottawa Public Health

CM – Case management



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