

Dear ASD-S Families,

UPDATE: Moncton and Campbellton Health Regions (Orange zones)

On Monday we communicated with families regarding new mask requirements for students or staff who have travelled to the Moncton (Zone 1) or Campbellton (Zone 5) regions, or who live in those areas and work in ASD-S, since Oct. 9, 2020.

Although ASD-S remains in the Yellow zone, the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, with Public Health, **have updated their guidance for staff and students.**

Individuals who have travelled to the Moncton or Campbellton regions since October 9, or who have hosted someone from those regions, must follow these **updated guidelines** for a period of **14 days** from the day they returned to our region or their visitors left.

- All 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, except when they are eating. This includes when the students are outside.
- For students in Grades K-8, masks are required at all times when at school, except when they are sitting at a desk working silently or eating. This includes when the students are outside.
- All students in Grades K-12 will wear a mask during physical education classes. Activities that are conducive to wearing a mask are recommended. Individual physical activity and sports are encouraged.
- 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 all school personnel, masks are required at all times when at school, except when they are eating. This includes when they are outside.

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 new measures apply only to the individuals who have travelled, and families who have not traveled but who have hosted someone from the Orange Zone.**

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. This also applies to families who have hosted someone from the Orange Zone.

Please see the [GNB website](#) 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; staying home and calling 811 if they are ill; physical distancing; wearing a clean face mask; and monitoring for symptoms.

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