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Good morning,

Chickenpox has been seen in a child attending your school. Please report any additional cases to the Regional Public Health Office at: 506-444-5905.

Publicly funded **chickenpox vaccine** is available to children born after the year 2000.

Any staff or child who develops symptoms of fever and a rash should stay home from school until they are feeling better. Occasionally, those who have had one dose of chickenpox vaccine can develop mild chickenpox. People who had one dose of chickenpox vaccine and develop a fever and a rash should also stay home from school until they feel well.

Most healthy people recover from this infection without long term effects. Chickenpox can become serious in people with certain medical conditions. People who are pregnant or have diseases or medications that compromise the immune system can contact the Public Health Office at 453-5200 for more information.

Sincerely,
On behalf of Communicable Disease program
Ruth Amos RNBN
444-5905

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