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**To:** All Families  
**From:** Ed Walsh, Associate Director of Education (Programs and Human Resources)  
**Subject:** Resumption of In-Class Instruction  
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As you likely know, Tuesday, Jan. 25 has been confirmed as the date for resumption of in-class instruction for students. Monday will be a transition day for staff, and students will not be in attendance. Virtual learning will conclude on Friday, Jan. 21 (See: [Public Advisory #1](#)).

Students will now take a rapid self-test on **Saturday Jan. 22**, and again on the morning of **Tuesday, Jan. 25** before leaving home for school. Please follow the instructions included with your rapid self-test kits. If a student tests positive, they should not attend school and should follow [Public Health Guidance](#).

Staff will be returning to school on Monday, Jan. 24, and will conduct their rapid self-tests on Friday, Jan. 21 and Monday, Jan. 24.

Meanwhile, Public Health is finalizing an updated **Public Health Guidance for Return to School** to guide K-12 in-class instruction. It is expected to be available online tomorrow (Friday, Jan. 21). The direction will include, but will not be limited to:

- Importance of strict adherence to masking protocols;
- Changes to Covid-19 case and contact management protocols ([Public Advisory #2](#)).
- Changes to guidance for people identified as contacts of an individual who has tested positive for Covid-19, and
- Direction on the use of masks, cohorting, physical distancing and more.

Many of these issues were discussed during today's Provincial Government Covid-19 briefing. The full Covid-19 update with respect to school reopening is available here: [School Reopening - January 20, 2022](#) (beginning at 6:30 mark).

We will provide further information as it becomes available to us, and we look forward to seeing students back in school next week.