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To: All Families

From: Terry Hall, CFO/Assistant Director of Education (Corporate Services)

Re: Clarification on Distribution of Rapid Test Kits

Date: March 21, 2022

A statement made during a Friday, March 18 Public Health briefing, and subsequent media reports, may have been misinterpreted to mean there would be an unlimited supply of COVID-19 rapid test kits available to the public through K-12 schools.

To be clear, there is no unlimited supply of rapid test kits available in schools at this time. The Newfoundland and Labrador English School District will be receiving shipments of rapid test kits from Public Health on a regular basis, which will be equitably distributed to students as they are made available to the school.

Ten (10) kits per student were recently provided to the District for distribution to students. A further ten (10) per student will be provided through schools in the near future.

If students/families do not need the rapid test kits they are provided, per Public Health guidance, they are welcome to distribute them to family, friends and neighbours as they see fit.

Parents can contact the school to request replacement kits **for students in their household** as needed.

We thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.