



ATHOL-ROYALSTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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The Athol-Royalston Regional School District is committed to providing challenging educational experiences that inspire students to acquire the knowledge and skills to become responsible citizens in the global community.

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

This week the Department of Public Health held COVID-19 testing in the community. As a result of the testing, several students have been identified as positive for COVID-19, which they obtained from outside of the school. The Department of Public Health is in the process of identifying close contacts of these students. Parents will be receiving calls from DPH over the next few days if their child is a close contact with one of these students. The district is still determining the impact this will have on our students and staff. Out of an abundance of caution, we will be asking all students in the district to bring home their Chromebooks and school materials today. On Sunday, the district will meet to discuss any further information given to us by DPH and decide the next steps. We do not see a need to close schools at this time, as no school spread has been identified. We will contact families as early as we can on Sunday if this should change.

The district realizes some families need to work. The district is looking at multiple options to support those families if we should need to limit the number of students in school buildings for a limited time.

The priority of our school district is the safety and well being of our students, families and employees. Also, to ensure the safety of the community while DPH finishes their contact tracing, we will be **postponing the trunk a treat event** on Saturday. We look forward to rescheduling this event when we are sure it is safe to do so. Tonight at 6:00 PM I will hold a zoom meeting to answer any question people may have, please use the information below to log in.

Thank you,

Darcy Fernandes
Superintendent
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Topic: Parent Meeting
Time: Dec 11, 2020 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89435666742?pwd=bFN0QlZKM1g0c2M2WDM5RDlHWEO1QT09>

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