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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **COVID-19 Cases in Living Sky School Division (Connaught Elementary School and North Battleford Comprehensive High School)**

At the end of last week, a case of COVID-19 was diagnosed in an individual in Connaught Elementary School and in an individual in North Battleford Comprehensive High School. We are working closely with Public Health staff to ensure necessary measures are in place to protect all students and staff.

Our school plans contain many important measures to decrease the risk of COVID-19 entering schools including promoting proper hygiene, implementing mask wearing, maintaining cohorts, and asking students and staff to stay home when experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms.

Any individuals who were in close contact have been notified and are self-isolating at this time. Following the division's health and safety protocols, the schools received a deep cleaning/sanitizing and remain open at this time.

North Battleford Comprehensive High School has moved to Level 3 of the Safe Schools Plan this week. The Government of Saskatchewan recommended that high schools with 600 students or more move to partial in-class and partial at-home learning to reduce the number of students in school at one time.

We remind everyone entering schools to monitor for any signs or symptoms of COVID-19. If you have any symptoms of COVID-19, please call HealthLine at 811 and remain at home. For further information regarding COVID-19, please call Health Line at 811, and/or visit the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health website at [www.saskatchewan.ca/covid19](http://www.saskatchewan.ca/covid19).

We wish the members of the LSSD family a speedy recovery. To protect the privacy of the individuals, no further details are being shared at this time.

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*Connaught Elementary School has a student population of approximately 145 and North Battleford Comprehensive High School has a student population of approximately 950. Both schools are located in the City of North Battleford.*

*Living Sky School Division is proudly located in Treaty 6 Territory in Northwest Central Saskatchewan. It encompasses a wide geographic area including the Battlefords, many communities, villages, First Nation communities and Hutterite colonies. Currently, twenty-nine schools are located in eighteen communities. Our schools include PreK-12, elementary, high schools and alternate schools with a student population of approximately 5,300 students.*

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