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NESD Staff & Families,

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to navigate the expectations of public health officials and the Saskatchewan government during the COVID-19 pandemic.

On February 8, 2022, the Government of Saskatchewan announced that beginning on February 14, 2022, the province will no longer require proof of vaccination or negative test. As a result, North East School Division Administrative Procedure 309 Covid-19 Vaccinations will be repealed. Visitors to NESD facilities will not be required to provide proof of a negative test or vaccination status as of February 14, 2022.

The North East School Division will continue following provincial and local public health measures by removing the mask mandate in school division facilities and buses, beginning on **Monday February 28, 2022**. The NESD will continue to be a mask-friendly environment and the school division recommends continued mask use for as long as individuals feel it is necessary, based on their own personal risk factors.

Staff and students are reminded to complete a daily personal screening check before school to ensure they are feeling well. Individuals who display even the slightest symptom of COVID-19 are asked to remain at home. Self-tests will continue to be available at NESD schools for voluntary use. Those between the ages of 12 and 17 years are now eligible to get their third/booster shots for COVID-19.

The North East School Division will continue to follow the advice of our Local Medical Health Officer and the provinces Chief Medical Health Officer related to infectious disease control in our facilities. The NESD Safe School Plan which promotes safe attendance, safetransportation, safe facilities, safe classroom, safe instruction, and safe activities, will be updated to reflect the current state and could change if needed in the future.

Please continue to be patient and trust that we are all working towards the same goal – healthy and welcoming school environments for students and staff to learn, play, and work.

Sincerely,

Don Rempel

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