December 16, 2020

Dear École Dickinsfield Families and Staff,

Over the course of this week, we have been informed of a number of cases of COVID-19 in our school. With five additional cases today, we now have eleven active cases since December 7th. Division office staff, our board of trustees, in consultation with Alberta Education and the Office of the Chief Medical Officer recommend the following:

- Dickinsfield will remain open for Thursday and Friday this week.

- Families will have the option of having their child(ren) attend in person classes on Thursday, December 17th but are encouraged to keep students at home if possible.

  - Please email dfabsences@fmpsd.ab.ca if you decide to keep your child(ren) at home as we want to ensure the safety of all students

- Where possible, and where already occurring, classes will shift to at home learning. Your child's teacher will be in contact to let you know what this might look like for their class. Please be mindful, this is a quick turnaround time for staff and may only be possible in situations where at home instruction is already occurring.

- If there are essential belongings that students need to collect at school, please contact the front office to make arrangements. If not required, please consider leaving items at school.

- Staff will be at school December 17th for any families that need to send children to school because they have no childcare available on such short notice.

- As a reminder, if you are showing any signs or symptoms of COVID-19, please do not come to the school, and make alternate arrangements if there are items to be picked up.

- If you or your child(ren) require a COVID-19 test, please use our School Outbreak number (2020-EI-7179) at the time of booking. This helps AHS link all of the cases.

Please take care and stay safe.

Sincerely,

Erin Keca
Principal