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Sports and Extracurricular Activities: 12- to 17-Year-Olds

Dear Bruce Families,

As of December 6, 2021, in order to participate in indoor, extracurricular recreational sports and physical activities that take place outside of the school day, students aged 12 to 17 must either provide proof that they have received at least one dose of the Pfizer BioNtech or Moderna vaccine for COVID-19 or proof of a negative result from an approved rapid antigen test within 72 hours of participation. Youth 18 years old and up are required to be fully vaccinated. Schools will follow the [Proof of Vaccination Guidelines for Indoor Activities](#) from the Manitoba Government.

For clarification, the orders do not apply to physical education, intramurals, fitness rooms, or any other physical activity that is part of the instructional day and that takes place on the grounds within the youth's school.

They do apply to school sport activities *outside of the school day or off-site at recreational facilities*, including **Tier 1 and 2 basketball, the Winnipeg Jets Hockey Academy**, and sport activities of permit holders on our grounds.

- Student COVID-19 immunization information will be collected at the onset of each sporting activity.
- Students may demonstrate one of:
 - Proof of COVID-19 vaccination through physical or electronic copies of their vaccination card. Photocopies of vaccination cards are not acceptable.
 - Information printed directly from the [Shared Health](#) site in terms of students with a single dose or who have not yet received a vaccination card.
- Should a student not be able to provide valid proof of at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccination, a pharmacist-confirmed negative test result from an approved rapid antigen test is required within 72 hours of participation.
 - Youth choosing to test are responsible for the cost of rapid antigen testing. Families are encouraged to contact their local pharmacy to confirm if the pharmacy provides approved rapid antigen testing. In addition, pharmacies set their own prices for the service, so people are encouraged to ask about the cost.
 - Provincial testing sites should only be accessed by symptomatic individuals and those who are required to take a PCR test by public health officials. These sites will not provide testing for asymptomatic students who are requiring a negative COVID-19 test for extra-curricular sporting activities.

Students are not allowed to participate/attend sporting activities if proof of at least one dose of an approved vaccination is not provided to the school, or a negative result from a pharmacist approved rapid antigen test within 72 hours of participation is not produced.

Student athletes on current teams must present proof of vaccination to Mr. MacNeil or Mrs. Waters at the office. Best method: Bring your Vaccination card with QR code to the office.

Sincerely,

Mr. MacNeil
Principal

Mrs. Waters
Vice Principal