



Measures for Kindergarten to Grade 12 schools at the Caution level (Yellow)

Parent/ Guardian UPDATE

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Check out the Province of Manitoba's 'COVID-19 Education Plan' for accurate and current information on updates on COVID-related protocols in schools. See the 'COVID-19 Education Plan' at <https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/covid/>

Changes to school protocols effective March 1, 2022, include:

- Proof of vaccination will no longer be required for visitors to schools.
- Designated unvaccinated staff working in the education and childcare sectors will no longer be required to undergo mandatory rapid antigen testing after February 28, 2022.

Note:

- Facilities can run at full capacity. Although there are no reduced capacity requirements, some gymnasiums are quite small and the number of spectators that can be accommodated will be quite low. If a gym spectator area is full, spectators could be denied entry. Per-athlete spectator limits may vary due to space/ seating constraints in school sites where bleachers/ seating areas are limited.
- All visitors are expected to follow all COVID protocols such as positively distancing to 2 meters as best as possible, wearing a facemask, and practicing good hand hygiene.
- Mask-wearing remains mandatory indoors at all SJASD sites. See Manitoba Education for mask-wearing protocols at <https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/covid/>
- Individuals may remove masks while engaged in physical activity in Physical Education classes.
- Any extra-curricular events hosted at offsite facilities (e.g.: City of Winnipeg recreation facilities, other School Division sites) will require spectators to follow the facilities' practices for entrance.
- Rapid antigen testing is recommended for individuals if they have symptoms. Schools can provide Kindergarten to Grade 12 staff and students with access to rapid antigen tests when symptoms develop.

Currently, schools remain in the Caution level (Yellow) on the Pandemic Response System (PRS), and measures will continue to be implemented as outlined at https://gov.mb.ca/asset_library/en/covid/mbprs_schools_yellow.pdf.