

November 10, 2020

Dear Parents,

As announced today, all of Manitoba is moving to the Critical Red Level Thursday, November 12th, but schools and daycares will remain open and operating under the health directive put into effect Nov 2nd.

In the future, if schools do shift to a “Critical” (Red) Response Level under the Manitoba Pandemic Response System, SCCS will endeavour to accommodate Kindergarten to Grade 6 children of critical services workers, where alternative care arrangements are not feasible.

SCCS will take all necessary measures to accommodate children of critical services workers with a view to safety and available resources, while maintaining two metres of physical distancing.

Tier One critical services workers will be eligible to have children accommodated in school. They will be prioritized by SCCS as outlined below.

Manitoba Education considers the following to be critical services workers:

Tier One:

- Health/Health Services Workers
- Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education Providers (all teachers, administrators and support staff)
- Child Care Workers
- Law Enforcement
- Corrections Workers
- Fire and Paramedic First Responders
- Direct Social Services and Child Protection Workers

Tier Two:

Following accommodation of Tier One critical services workers, divisions will then accommodate additional critical services workers if possible.

This may include people who provide critical services to Manitobans, such as front-line natural resource workers, gas station attendants, and grocery store staff. More information is in the Essential Services Act at <https://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/ccsm/e145e.php>.

For planning purposes, please confirm if you identify as a Tier Two critical services worker immediately. If you are not a Tier Two critical services worker, please do not reply to this email.

Thank you,

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