October 7, 2021

Dear Lakeland Catholic Schools Community,

On October 5, 2021, the Premier announced new actions to manage COVID-19 in schools during the fourth wave of the pandemic. These guidelines include public reporting of COVID-19, contact tracing, and a voluntary rapid testing program for students in Kindergarten to Grade 6.

Alberta Health is posting information publicly about school-level COVID-19 cases in schools. You will be able to access the COVID-19 School Status information <a href="https://example.com/here/beaches/beach

A school **outbreak** will now be reported as 10 or more COVID-19 cases within a 14-day period that were infectious while at school. The previous use of a 10% absenteeism rate will no longer be used for reporting COVID-19 cases to AHS or parents.

A school **alert** will now be reported as **two to four COVID-19 cases within a 14-day period** that were infectious while at school.

A school **alert** will now be reported as *five to nine COVID-19 cases within a 14-day period* that were infectious while at school.

Lakeland Catholic Schools currently on alert for having two to four COVID-19 positive cases while at school include:

Assumption Jr/Sr High School Holy Cross Elementary School École Notre Dame High School

Lakeland Catholic Schools currently on **alert** for having five to nine COVID-19 positive cases while at school include:

Dr. Bernard Brosseau School École Notre Dame Elementary School Holy Family Catholic School St. Dominic Elementary School Light of Christ Catholic School

Effective Tuesday, October 12, Lakeland Catholic will be following the provincial reporting process. AHS will be notifying us of the positive COVID-19 cases that were infectious while at school and we will share this information with the close contacts.

We are also reviewing the other actions as outlined by the Premier, and we will provide more information to our families in the coming days. Thank you for your continued patience and support as we work together for the health and safety of our staff, students and community.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pamela Guilbault Superintendent of Schools