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Treaty Education Alliance

COVID-19 Awareness

Working Together to Keep Our Communities Safe

As the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) continues to evolve, the Treaty Education Alliance is taking a proactive approach to help ensure the safety of our students, employees and communities. By working together, we can limit the impact and the spread of this disease.

Currently, our schools remain fully operational. However, we ask that all schools and communities have a plan in place to effectively handle any potential situations that may arise.

This document offers guidance towards effective, panic-free safety planning, and will be updated regularly as new information arises.



How is the Disease Affecting Saskatchewan?

Currently (March 12, 2020), one confirmed case of COVID-19 has been reported in Saskatchewan (Saskatoon, SK)

At this time, the Public Health Agency of Canada has assessed the public health risk associated with COVID-19 as low for the general population, but this could change quickly. There is an increased risk of more severe outcomes for Canadians 65 and over, and those with compromised immune systems or underlying medical conditions.

Public health officials continue to reassess the national and provincial public health risk, based on the best available evidence as the situation evolves.



Who Does COVID-19 Effect?

Older adults and **people who have severe underlying chronic medical conditions** like heart or lung disease or diabetes seem to be at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19 illness.

While children seem to be less susceptible to high-risk complications, they can be carriers of the virus, and should be subject to increased awareness and education in areas such as hygiene and best practices.

[Click here for more information on the effects of COVID-19](#)



How Can We Protect Our Schools & Communities

The Treaty Education Alliance requests that all member-schools and communities help protect our staff and students by

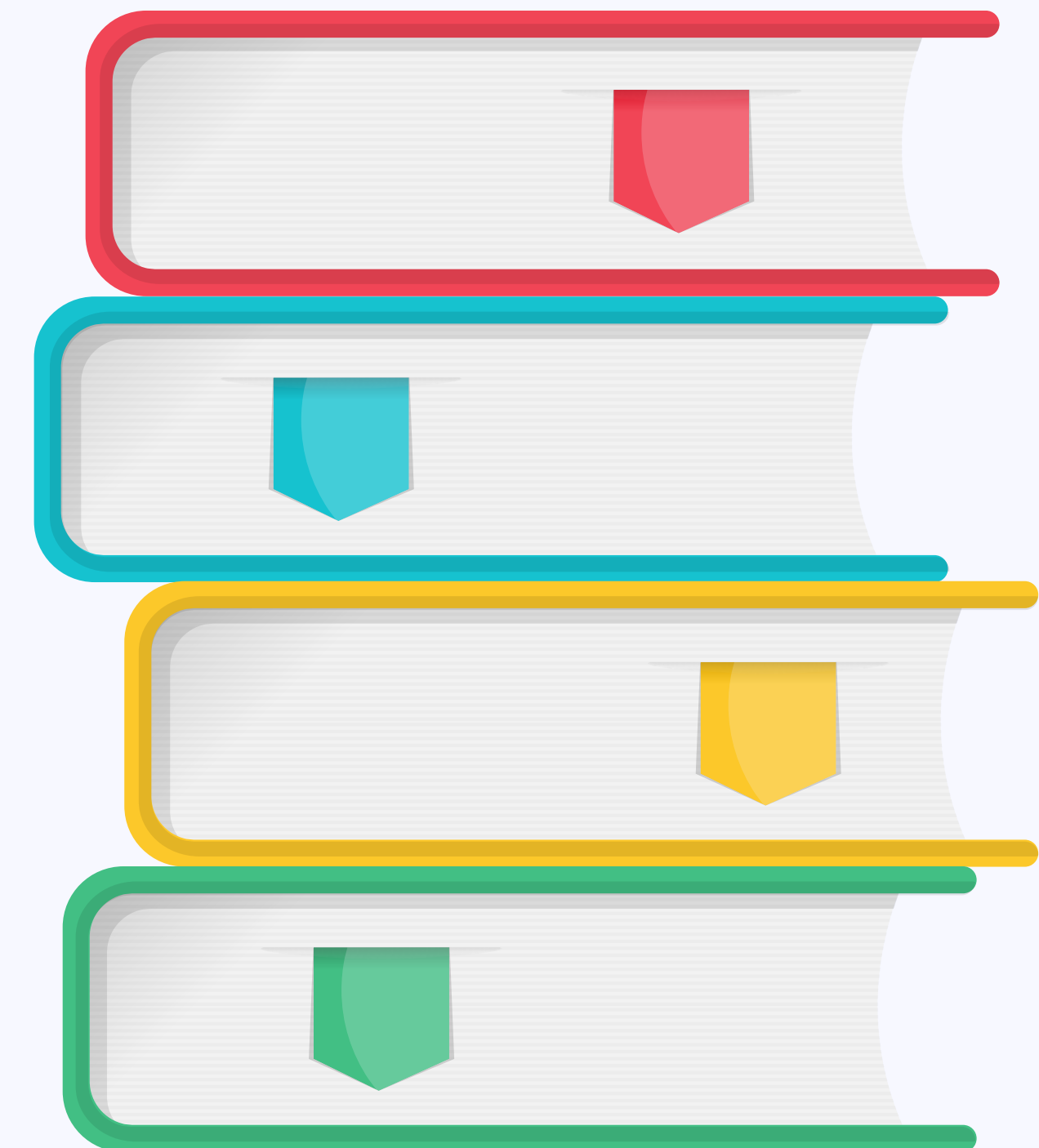
- Reviewing hand hygiene with students.
- Increasing the amount that students wash their hands.
- Increasing the cleaning that is done in our buildings, with particular attention to “high touch” locations.
- Additional cleaning on our buses.
- Remind students and staff to stay home when ill.



Useful Reading & References

To assist our staff and communities, we have prepared a list of recommended reference material to help in your school's planning and awareness for COVID-19

- [Health Canada \(Transmission and Risk Overview\)](#)
- [Health Saskatchewan \(COVID-19 Info Sheet\)](#)
- [Health Saskatchewan \(Self-Monitoring Info Sheet\)](#)
- [Washington Post: What schools and teachers should be doing...](#)





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