



Little Red River Cree Nation

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MEMO: LRRCN Membership & Staff

RE: LRRCN School Closures

Tansi Netotemmak,

In order to reduce or halt the spread of the Coronavirus the Alberta Government has instructed schools to indefinitely cancel classes across the province. Students are expected to stay home.

The LRRCN and LRRBE will follow this recommendation with all its schools. All schools are cancelled for students at this time.

Provincial school systems are expected to continue their regular day-to-day operations and ensure the safety and function of their school facilities. Therefore, all LRRCN/LRRBE staff are expected to continue maintenance, cleaning of facilities, and administrative work. This includes teachers and teaching assistants. Some details on this are still to be finalized and will be shared at a later date.

Alberta Education has stated the following in regard to students:

“Student progression will be on the minds of both parents and students. We expect every student to receive a final mark and that students will progress to their next grade level next year. Diploma exams essential for post-secondary acceptance will continue.”

Alberta also states it will work with “post-secondary institutions to ensure that these extraordinary circumstances do not prevent our students from being eligible for admission to post-secondary studies for the upcoming school year.”



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The education of our children and youth is paramount. However, their health and the safety of our community and Elders is of the highest priority at this time. We trust everyone supports and understands this difficult decision to follow Alberta's decision in this matter.

I will reiterate this again, ALL LRRBE STAFF and their pay will not be affected, as we appreciate everything you do for our children's education. So please don't worry, your employment with the Nation is secure.

Mandatory Measures

For all Nation administration and offices, health centres, schools, daycares and stores. The PUBLIC who are entering these premises are required to wash their hands thoroughly (30 second-hand washing) prior to interacting with staff and or supplies within these buildings. Hand sanitizer stations will also be put in place.

Anyone (including staff) who has a cold or flu, even with a cough will be asked to stay home until their symptoms are gone.

Please Share.

Thank you,

Chief Conroy Sewepagaham
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