

NEWS RELEASE

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District Provides Update on Reopening of Schools in St. John's-metro Region

Tony Stack, CEO/Director of Education with the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District, today provided an update on efforts to reopen schools serving the St. John's and metro region (Mount Pearl, Paradise, C.B.S., Portugal Cove-St. Philip's, Torbay, Pouch Cove, Flatrock, Bauline and Logy Bay-Middle Cove-Outer Cove).

"As always, student safety is our top priority. The District continues to work with provincial authorities, the City of St. John's and nearby municipalities, to determine whether the progress of snow clearing operations will be sufficient to open all schools in the metro region on Monday, January 27," said Mr. Stack. "In addition, there is a distinct possibility some bus routes will be temporarily adjusted if it is determined that some residential streets are not yet adequately widened to enable school buses to navigate safely."

If bus routes are adjusted, changes will be listed online on Sunday, January 26, on a special student transportation web page, accessible through the District website at <u>www.nlesd.ca</u>. Mr. Stack further noted that while the District remains cautiously optimistic that all schools will be able to reopen Monday, there may be some, particularly within the City of St. John's itself, that will remain closed.

Meanwhile, the District recognizes it cannot account for every conceivable, personal circumstance and that families are in the best position to judge whether a student can travel safely to and from school and bus stops.

There will be a further update Sunday afternoon (January 26). Parents are encouraged to check the NLESD school status web page at <u>https://www.nlesd.ca/schools/statusreport/index.jsp</u> and/or their individual school websites and social media feeds, for information relevant to their schools. A complete list of metro-area schools is provided in the backgrounder below, with St. John's schools highlight in bold. Decisions related to other schools will be made at the local level.

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Backgrounder

Check the status of your school at: https://www.nlesd.ca/schools/statusreport/index.jsp

| St. John's Metro-area Schools | |
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| School | Location |
| Admiral's Academy | Conception Bay South |
| Beachy Cove Elementary | Portugal Cove-St. Philip's |
| Beaconsfield Junior High | St. John's |
| Bishop Abraham Elementary | St. John's |
| Bishop Feild Elementary | St. John's |
| Brookside Intermediate | Portugal Cove-St. Philip's |
| Brother Rice Junior High | St. John's |
| Cape St. Francis Elementary | Pouch Cove |
| Cowan Heights Elementary | St. John's |
| District School | St. John's |
| East Point Elementary | St. John's |
| Elizabeth Park Elementary | Paradise |
| Frank Roberts Junior High | Conception Bay South (Foxtrap) |
| Gonzaga High School | St. John's |
| Goulds Elementary | St. John's (Goulds) |
| Hazelwood Elementary | St. John's |
| Holy Family Elementary (Paradise) | Paradise |
| Holy Heart of Mary High School | St. John's |
| Holy Spirit High | Conception Bay South (Manuels) |
| Holy Trinity Elementary | Torbay |
| Holy Trinity High | Torbay |
| Juniper Ridge Intermediate | Torbay |
| Larkhall Academy | St. John's |
| Leary's Brook Junior High | St. John's |
| Macdonald Drive Elementary | St. John's |
| Macdonald Drive Junior High | St. John's |
| Mary Queen of Peace Elementary | St. John's |
| Mary Queen of the World Elementary | Mount Pearl |
| Morris Academy | Mount Pearl |
| Mount Pearl Intermediate | Mount Pearl |
| Mount Pearl Senior High | Mount Pearl |
| Newtown Elementary | Mount Pearl |
| Octagon Pond Elementary | Paradise |
| O'Donel High School | Mount Pearl |



| Paradise Elementary | Paradise |
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| Prince of Wales Collegiate | St. John's |
| Queen Elizabeth Regional High | Conception Bay South (Foxtrap) |
| Rennie's River Elementary | St. John's |
| Roncalli Elementary | St. John's |
| St. Andrew's Elementary | St. John's |
| St. Edward's School | Conception Bay South (Kelligrew |
| St. Francis of Assisi Elementary | Logy Bay-Middle Cove-Outer Cove |
| St. George's Elementary | Conception Bay South (Manuels) |
| St. John Bosco | St. John's |
| St. Kevin's High | St. John's (Goulds) |
| St. Kevin's Junior High | St. John's (Goulds) |
| St. Mary's Elementary | St. John's |
| St. Matthew's School | St. John's |
| St. Paul's Junior High | St. John's |
| St. Peter's Junior High | Mount Pearl |
| St. Peter's Primary | Mount Pearl |
| St. Teresa's Elementary | St. John's |
| Topsail Elementary | Conception Bay South (Topsail) |
| Upper Gullies Elementary | Conception Bay South (Upper Gullies) |
| Vanier Elementary | St. John's |
| Villanova Junior High | Conception Bay South (Manuels) |
| Waterford Valley High | St. John's |



