



# Janet Lee Update

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Spring is in the air! Staff and students at Janet Lee School continue to work hard everyday to learn and stay safe! I hope this update finds you all well! Please see the information below!

## ASYMPTOMATIC TESTING AT SALT FLEET S. S. MARCH 19, 2021

Voluntary Asymptomatic Testing is available for your child in your school community. Targeted testing is voluntary for asymptomatic students and staff and will help ensure that our schools remain a safe environment for all to learn and work in. A green notice came home on Wednesday March 17.

**When:** Friday, March 19, 2021 from 10:45 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Saltfleet District High School, 108 Highland Road West, Stoney Creek

**How:** Drop in when you can – NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Participants are able to walk-in to the location during the allocated testing time.

## Why is asymptomatic testing being recommended?

Asymptomatic testing is an important layer of protection that helps to track and prevent the spread of COVID-19. Increased testing may also help to reduce stress and anxiety related to the virus by identifying cases early and avoiding outbreaks.

## Who is eligible for asymptomatic testing?

Students attending Janet Lee School in-person learning, Saltfleet and other elementary schools that feed to Saltfleet. COVID-19 testing is voluntary and only for asymptomatic individuals (those who are not experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms.) Consent is required for students under 18 years old. The consent form is available on site. Students unaccompanied by a parent or guardian must bring signed consent. Download the consent form here: <http://hwdsb.info/LifeLabConsent>

## FINAL TRANSITION DATE INFORMATION

HWDSB will provide a third and final opportunity for families to transition between the Elementary Remote Learning Program and in-person learning this Spring. Families who wish to switch learning models between remote and in-person must complete the *Elementary Transition Between Remote and In-Person (Optional Request Form)*. The form will be available in the [Parent Portal](#) and opens on **Monday, March 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.** It will close on **Sunday, March 28, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.** **Only complete this form if you would like to request a change in delivery model.** If we do not hear from you, your child/ren's placement stays the same. **This Elementary Transition is based on available spaces at in-person schools due to safety requirements for physical distancing and small class sizes.** The first full day of school in a new location for students will be Tuesday, May 4, 2021.

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### RETURN TO SCHOOL ATTESTATION FORM

A reminder that the “Attestation for return to school following illness or self isolation” form must be completed if a student is sent home from school, or fails the screener due to Covid symptoms. We will provide a hard copy of this form to families to complete upon return or you can complete it through the Parent Portal. A huge thank you to all of our families for being so diligent with this process and responsive when contacted for children that are feeling unwell.

### PARENTS/GUARDIANS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Public Health continues to guide all HWDSB safety protocols. We know that Covid—19 spreads more easily when people gather. To support school safety, and the health of all, parents are discouraged from congregating in the morning and after school when dropping off and picking up students. Our playground is supervised from 7:55-8:10 in the morning and 2:30-2:45 after school. All parents and visitors must wear a mask on school property. Thank you for your cooperation.

### VISITORS DURING THE INSTRUCTIONAL DAY

Please ensure that your child has everything they need for the school day before they come to school (including appropriate outdoor wear, foot wear, lunch, water bottle, etc.). If you need to connect with the school, please call and we will be happy to help. If a student is being signed out for early dismissal, please call the school or provide the information in School Messenger. Parents/guardian are not permitted to enter the school unless absolutely necessary.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our next Virtual School Council meeting is Monday March 29 at 7:00 pm. Please contact the school if you would like to be added to the attendance list.

### APRIL HOLIDAYS

There is no school on Good Friday, April 2 and Easter Monday, April 5. For those of you that celebrate Easter, Happy Easter! In addition, Spring Break has been rescheduled by the Ministry. Janet Lee School will be closed the week of April 12-16 and students do not come to school.

*As we head into the Spring season, please ensure that students are dressed for the weather. The sun may be shining some days, but it can still be cool so a light jacket is appropriate. Indoor shoes are very important at this time of year as the field can be muddy.*

*Thank you all for your ongoing support!*

*Mrs. S. Costa-Popovich*  
Principal

