

January 8th, 2021 12:00pm

COMMUNITY NOTICE

Transportation Services and Closures For Immediate Release

Further to our communique sent out earlier this week, Chief and Council met to evaluate our pandemic response plan moving forward to keep our community safe. There will be a mass community door to door distribution initiative reflecting this.

Along with setting up our checkpoints, it was also decided that all student transportation services will be cancelled. We are strongly encouraging and highly recommending that our students and parents continue with the following formats: Online learning or to reach out to the student's teacher to receive education packages that they can complete at home.

In Garden River, the JK/SK program and Child Care Centre will remain closed. AIM classes will continue virtually.

These measures will be in effect until January 22, 2021 with a possibility of an extension.

The safety of students, their families and our community are of the utmost importance at this time.

The Education staff will be reaching out to families via email and phone calls to offer support and services. Staff will also continue to be available during the shut down. For further information, you can contact the following:

- Acting Education Manager, Natalie Barry <u>nbarry@gardenriver.ca</u> 705-542-6336.
- Elementary Liaison Worker, Deanna Jones <u>dejones@gardenriver.ca</u> 705-989-8435
- Secondary Liaison Worker, Stephanie Jones <u>sjones@gardenriver.ca</u> 705-971-0623

This is a precautionary measure to add layers of protection for our community against COVID19. We encourage and strongly suggest all community members to continue to stay at home and practice social distancing and regular disinfection measures.

Miigwetch, Chief Andy Rickard and Council



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