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## News Release

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### Outbreak declared at Hugh Cairns V.C. School

The Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) has declared a COVID-19 outbreak at Hugh Cairns V.C. School.

The SHA notified the school division about the outbreak declaration today. Communication about the outbreak declaration has been shared with students, staff, and the school community. Classes at the school will continue as scheduled.

To date this school year Saskatoon Public Schools has been notified of three positive cases of COVID-19 at Hugh Cairns V.C. School, including one on April 22 and one on April 25.

The school division was notified of four positive cases of COVID-19 during the weekend — two at Brevoort Park School and one each at Hugh Cairns V.C. School and Tommy Douglas Collegiate. Since the start of the school year, Saskatoon Public Schools has had 308 positive cases at 57 locations in the division – 56 schools and the board office.

The safety of our students and staff members is our priority. Saskatoon Public Schools encourages everyone in our school communities to follow provincial public health orders. If the school division is aware of a student or staff member being ordered to self-isolate, the individual is prohibited from entering the school for the extent of the order.

The safety protocols our schools have put in place are critical to reducing the risk of transmission. Mask requirements, proper hand hygiene, physical distancing when possible, and cohorting classes are all measures our schools have implemented to help protect students and staff members. These measures will significantly reduce the spread of the virus.

Saskatoon Public Schools is the largest school division in the province. We operate 49 elementary schools, 10 secondary schools, one associate school and one alliance school. We serve more than 26,000 students and employ approximately 2,600 professional and support staff. Learn more at [www.saskatoonpublicschools.ca](http://www.saskatoonpublicschools.ca).

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