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Sanikiluaq school capacity increases to 100 per cent on March 7

Iqaluit, Nunavut (March 3, 2022) – Dr. Michael Patterson, Nunavut’s Chief Public Health Officer, is announcing that as of March 7 school capacity in Sanikiluaq will increase to 100 per cent.

“The number of active cases of COVID-19 in Sanikiluaq continues to improve, and it is safe for schools to open to full capacity,” said Dr. Patterson.

“We look forward to welcoming our Sanikiluaq students back to full-time in-class instruction so that they can benefit from in-person learning and engagement with their teachers and peers”, said Minister of Education, Pamela Gross. “I want to assure parents and students that their schools are following strict health and safety protocols so that students can return to class as safely as possible.”

Anyone who develops COVID-19 symptoms – runny nose, cough, sore throat, fever, or difficulty breathing – should call the COVID hotline at 1-888-975-8601 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. EDT. There are longer wait times to get through to the hotline, so please remain patient. Please do not call or go to the health centre.

For all the latest information and guidelines on COVID-19 in Nunavut, go to: [https://www.gov.nu.ca/.](https://www.gov.nu.ca/)

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