Statement from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation On COVID-19

Sept. 6, 2020

The MCFN Chief and Council are continuing to actively take precautions and actions to address the potential impacts of COVID-19 within our Nation.

Thankfully, the MCFN Community continues to have no active cases of COVID-19. We wish to say chi-miigwech to everyone for their diligence in keeping our community free of the virus.

1. Organizational Operations
   Effective Sept. 8, a limited number of services will be offered, and will be on an appointment only basis. Please note, to ensure safety, some programs and services will be modified to permit social distancing.
   All visitors will be required to wear a mask upon entry to the building and will be go through a screening process before proceeding to their appointment. In addition, they will need to provide their name and number in the event contract tracing is required in the workplace. We appreciate everyone’s cooperation in keeping our community and staff safe.

2. Ekwaamjigenang Children’s Centre Operations
   Please be advised that Council have decided to delay the reopening of the Ekwaamjigenang Children’s Centre until at least Oct. of 2020. A working group has been established to monitor current trends and numbers, and will report back to Council regularly regarding a recommended reopening date.

3. MCFN Playgrounds
   All MCFN playgrounds are now open, but please note that we do not sanitize these facilities.

4. Lloyd S. King Elementary School Update
   To better prepare for start of the 2020-2021 school year, it has been decided by the LSK Return to School Working Group that the first day will be deferred to Sept. 21, 2020.
   A virtual “Back to School” update by the Principal will take place on Sept. 9, 2020 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please stay tuned to the website and/or social media for more information. An update on iPads and backpack pick up will also take place during this time.
   If you have questions about, or have completed school registration forms, please email to lsk.secretary@mncfn.ca or call ahead and drop off at LSK as soon as possible. If you need to speak with a staff member, an appointment is necessary, please call ahead, 905-768-3222. Registration forms can be found on www.lskelementary.com
   We appreciate your patience and we’re excited to begin this new way of learning with all of you.

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5. **Council Meetings**

Please note that our weekly Council meetings have now officially been moved to Tuesdays, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Due to COVID-19, meetings are still deemed closed to the public, but minutes and agendas will continue to be posted on the website.

6. **Personal Precautions**

The MCFN Chief and Council would like to remind everyone to take personal precautions to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community. These include:

- Regular hand washing with soap and warm water or an alcohol-based hand cleanser.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Maintain social distancing and ensure you practice good respiratory hygiene. Cover your cough or sneeze with your bent elbow or tissue, then dispose of the tissue immediately.
- Wear a mask where social distancing is not possible.
- Be cognizant of travel advisories and limit your exposure to large gatherings.
- If you travel outside of Canada, it is important to self-isolate upon re-entry to the country.
- If you feel ill, stay home. If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and follow their instructions.

7. **Public Health Information**

If you are experiencing symptoms, contact the following Public Health Offices and follow their instructions:

- Haldimand Norfolk Public Health – 519-426-6170, ext. 9999
- Six Nations Public Health – 519-445-2672
- Brant County Public Health – 519-753-4937
- Outside of regular business hours, you can contact Telehealth Ontario at 1-866-797-0000.

Please note, the MCFN Community Health Office is not a public health office, although it does assist with contact tracing and wellness checks.

The MCFN Chief and Council are responsible for making decisions that impact the Membership. If you have any concerns, please contact any member of the table.