



Roywood News Online # 3

Sunday, December 12, 2021

Click on the image to access our Website and
Twitter page.

Appreciation

Thank you to Ms. Dani who is our Nutrition Coordinator. She always prepares healthy and delicious snacks for students each and every day. She unloads and loads all of the food into the fridge, goes shopping for special treats of us and keeps track of what items students like and do not like!


Thank you to the Toronto Foundation for Student Success for helping to fund a large portion of our daily nutrition program.



Upcoming Events

- **Dec. 3 - Jan. 7 → Switch to Virtual Forms are emailed to families (please check your junk mail!!)**

Roywood Holiday Spirit Week - Dec. 13-17th

- Dec. 13 - Funny Hat & Mismatched Sock Day
 - Dec. 14 - Heritage Day (you can wear home country/flag colours, traditional clothes, etc.)
 - Dec. 15 - COZY, comfort day!
 - Dec. 16 - Favourites Day (dress in your favourite anything!)
 - Dec. 16 - School Wide Virtual Holiday Sing-Along
 - **COVID-19 Rapid Testing Kits to Come Home with Students (see instructions at end)**
 - Dec. 17 - Happy Holidays Accessories Day & Holiday Classroom Movie Afternoon
 - Dec. 17 - Last Day of School for Winter Break - See you in January!
 - Jan. 3 - First Day back to School from Winter Break
 - **Jan. 7 - Last Day for Virtual Switch Forms to be submitted!**
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Planning on Switching to Virtual or Bricks and Mortar?

Planning on Switching to Virtual Learning?

Planning on Returning to Bricks and Mortar Learning?


In order to plan ahead for elementary students to switch between in-person and virtual learning for February 2022, parents/caregivers and students requesting a change **must** complete an Elementary Switch Form between **Friday, December 3 and Friday, January 7**. A form must be completed for each student requesting a switch.

Click this link to access the form:

https://tdsb.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_42ZfFzbFT1x9kAC

You will need your child's Trillium Number (Student #) and Birthdate.

**Parents and caregivers who do not wish to make a change do not
need to complete a form.**



Switching to Virtual or Bricks and Mortar Learning?

If you are planning on switching your child to Virtual Learning or Bricks and Mortar Learning, please note the following dates:

- **December 3** - Online forms for switching will be sent via email

https://tdsb.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_42ZfFzbFT1x9kAC

- **December 3 - January 7** - Online forms are active
- **February 22** - First Day of the Switch classes for students



Health and Safety @ Roywood PS

WEAR YOUR



MASK


To limit the
transmission of the
COVID 19 virus,
students and staff
are asked to:



KEEP YOUR
DISTANCE



TDSB Student Health Pass - Updated November 26, 2021



COVID-19






Screening for children/students

Please complete before entering the child care/JK-12 school setting.

Updated November 26, 2021

Name: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____




1. Does the child/student have any of the following new or worsening symptoms?

				
Fever > 37.8°C and/or chills	Cough	Difficulty breathing	Decrease or loss of taste/smell	Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

• If the child/student has a health condition diagnosed by a health care provider that gives them the symptom, select "No". If the symptom is new, different or getting worse, select "Yes".

• Anyone who is sick or has any symptoms of illness, including those not listed above, should stay home and seek assessment from their health care provider if needed.

If "YES" to any symptom:

	Stay home & self-isolate	+		Get tested with a PCR test	Or		Contact a health care provider
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One of the most important things we can do to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our schools, is for [students](#) to screen themselves daily for any symptoms of COVID-19 and also follow the circumstances in which they should stay home.

Students and families will need to screen themselves each morning.

Parents should sign their child's [TDSB Student Health Pass](#) **daily** before arriving at school. **Their child will need to present this to their teacher each morning.**

Please note the addition of: "Anyone who is sick or has any symptoms of illness, including those not listed above, should stay home and seek assessment from their health care provider if needed."

For more information, please contact your health care provider or Telehealth Ontario at **1 866-797-0000**.

2. Does anyone in your household have one or more COVID-19 symptoms and/or are waiting for test results after experiencing symptoms?

- If the child/student is fully vaccinated* or has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 90 days and been cleared, select "No".

Yes ☐

No ☐

3. In the last 10 days, has the child/student tested positive on a rapid antigen test or a home-based self-testing kit?

- If they have since tested negative on a lab-based PCR test, select "No".

Yes ☐

No ☐

4. Has the child/student been notified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19 or been told to stay home and self-isolate?

- If the child/student is fully vaccinated* or has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 90 days and been cleared or public health has said the child/student does not have to self-isolate, select "No".

Yes ☐

No ☐

5. In the last 14 days has the child/student travelled outside of Canada AND been advised to quarantine per the federal quarantine requirements OR was told not to attend school/child care/EarlyON settings?

Yes ☐

No ☐

If "YES" to questions 2,3,4 or 5:



Stay home & self-isolate



Follow public health advice



* Fully vaccinated means 14 days or more after getting a second dose of a two dose COVID-19 series or as defined by the Ontario Ministry of Health



Please note addition of: The change, on the front page, is in the fifth question with the addition of the highlighted language: In the last 14 days has the child/student travelled outside of Canada AND been advised to quarantine per the federal quarantine requirements OR was told not to attend school/child care/EarlyON settings?

An addition on the back page of the screening tool, the parameters around international travel for students and returning to school has also been added.

This revised Toronto Public Health screening does take into account COVID vaccine status of students (aged 12+).

This revised Toronto Public Health screening does indicate that if **anyone in their household is experiencing one or more of COVID-19 symptoms or are waiting for COVID test results** then the student should stay home, and self isolate.

Together we can help our community, school, students and staff be safe and healthy!
We can do this together!

TDSB Student Health Pass

Roywood students will receive a copy of the TDSB Student Health Pass and Screening Questionnaire on the first day of school.

Please go through the student health pass with your child daily, sign it and send it with your child to school.

Your child will present this signed portion to their teacher each morning before entry to school.

TDSB Student Health Pass

The most important thing families can do to help slow the spread of COVID-19, is to screen their children daily for any COVID-19 symptoms and keep them home from school if they are sick or have had close contact with anyone diagnosed with COVID-19.

Review this COVID-19 checklist daily with your child. Sign* below each day to confirm that your child or anyone else in the household does not have any symptoms or have other exposure to COVID-19. We all have a role in keeping our schools safe and healthy.

Student Name : _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____

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Date: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____

** Parent/Guardian of Kindergarten to Grade 8 students to sign. High school and adult students can sign themselves.*



School News

Construction in the Back Yard

There is some work happening in our gym right now. It is very exciting for when the warmer months come. Our gym will be transformed into a cooling area! But with that excitement comes construction. :(

As you may have seen, there is some fencing at the back of the school. The fencing is to keep the children safe during this time. We are hoping that the construction will be completed in about 8 weeks.



Dressing for Recess

Winter weather is soon upon us!

We have already seen a little bit of snow this past week!

We are reminding students of the need to dress in layers so they can be dry and warm throughout recess breaks!

Please send extra pairs of socks! Please label clothing items!

We will continue to remind all students that it is far better to be warm and dry than cold and stylish at this time of year!



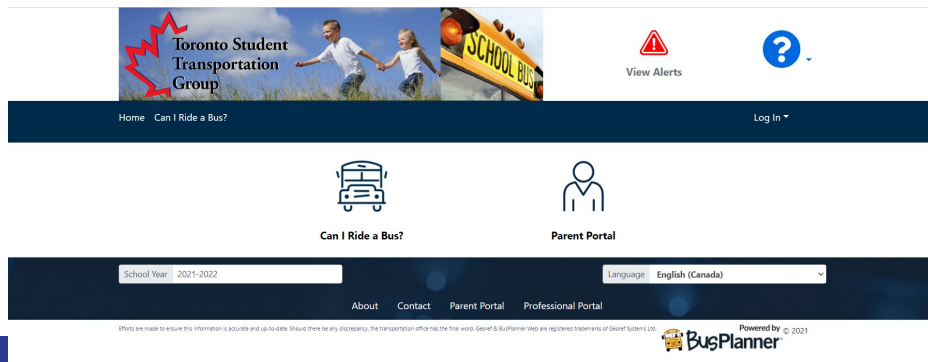
Bussing - Student Transportation

Please let your child's teacher know and call the office to let the school know if your child will not be taking the bus on any particular day.

For families with children who take the bus, please sign up for bus planner web for updates on bus times, schedules, and more.



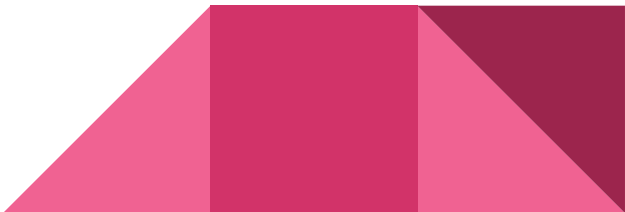
<https://busplannerweb.torontoschoolbus.org/>



Winter Weather and Transportation

From time to time, it may be necessary to cancel student transportation, classes and/or programs because of severe weather. On rare occasions, severe weather makes it necessary to close schools, administrative offices or sites.

With approximately 246, 000 students in 586 schools, any decision to cancel buses, classes and/or programs or to close sites can have a significant impact on thousands of families across Toronto. This decision is not taken lightly. When schools remain open on days with inclement weather, parents/guardians make the final decision on whether to send their children to school and they can keep their children home from school if they so choose.

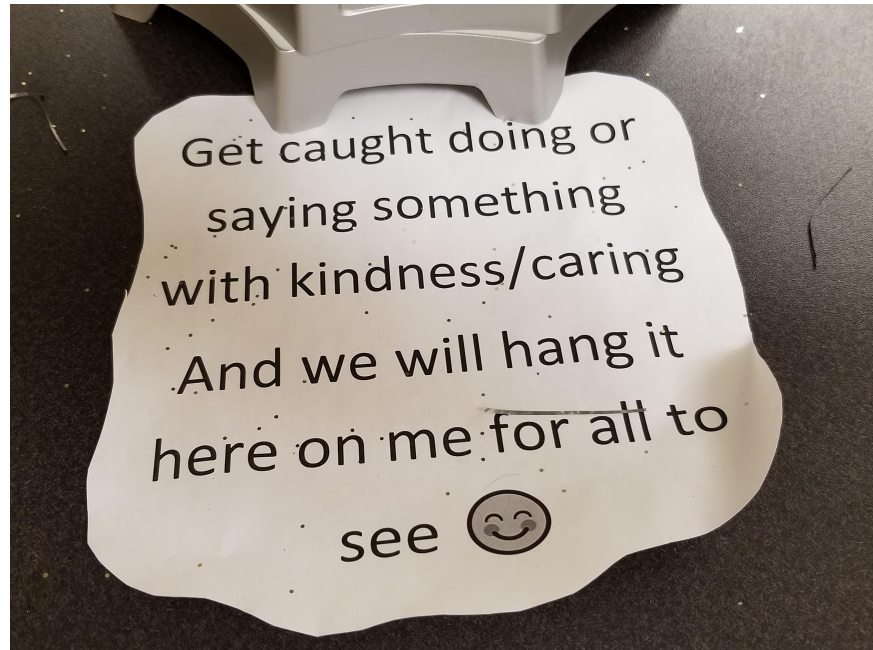


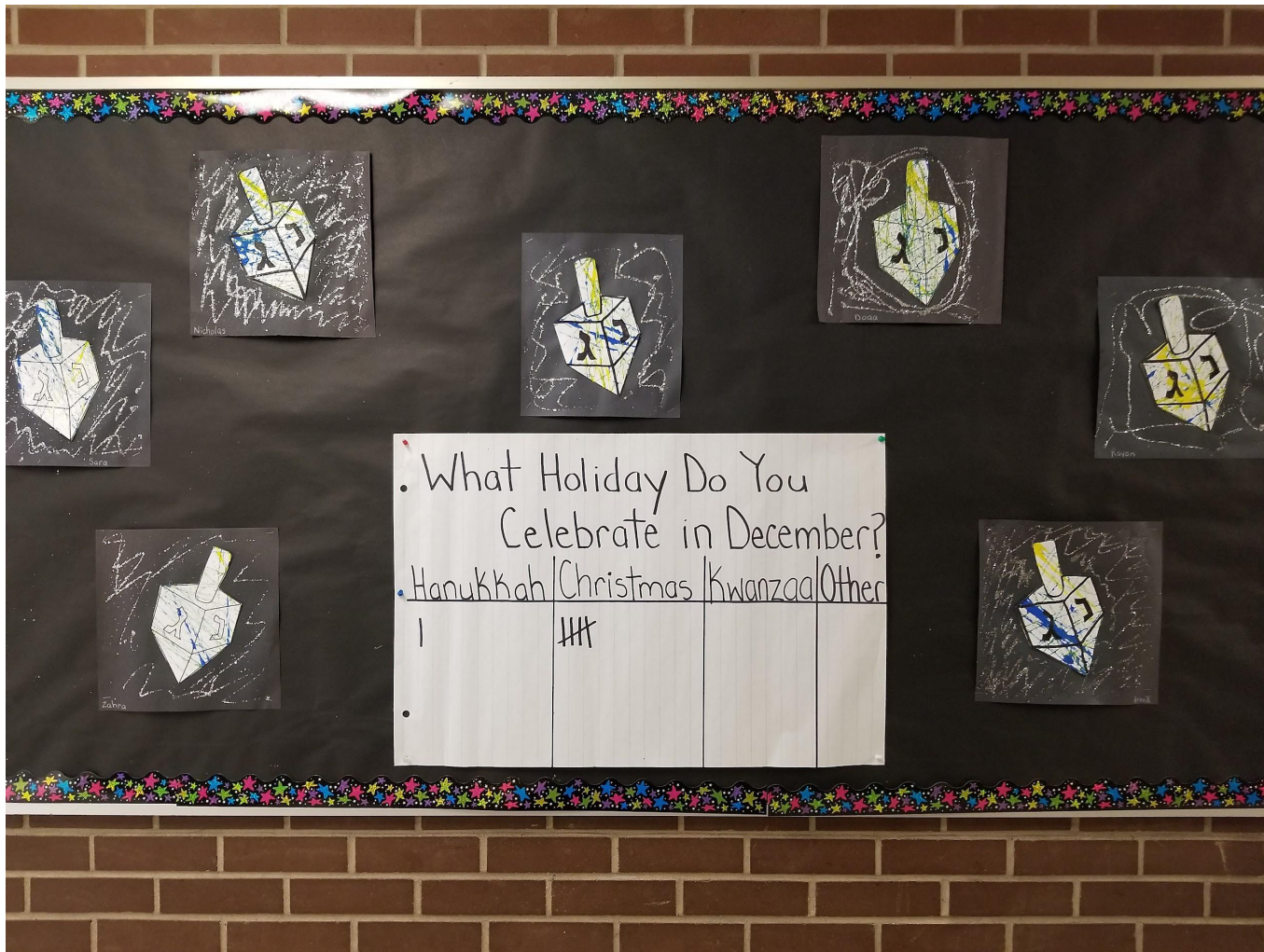


This Week @ Roywood PS



Our front hall is decorated with the Acts of Kindness and Caring Tree. The tree will be filled with decorations as students and staff get caught doing or something kind or caring!!! Stay tuned for an update! :)





The students in room 107 are learning how to ask questions and record answers using tally marks!

What holiday do you celebrate in December?



On picture day, we had a whole bunch of friends come with red and black plaid shirts on! We couldn't resist the photo opportunity!

We think we should be hosting a plaid shirt day in January when we come back from the winter break!



At recess time we find lots of treasures to look at and explore.

“These rocks are red and look like they could be jewels!!!” said one of the students from room 102.



Community News

FAMILY MATH NIGHT

Come and learn great tips and tricks on how to support your child at home and make math fun for the entire family!!!

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 15, 2021

Time: 6:00-7:00pm



JOIN ZOOM MEETING
[HTTPS://TDSB-CA.ZOOM.US/j/98032521288](https://TDSB-CA.ZOOM.US/j/98032521288)
(647)374-4685
MEETING ID: 980 3252 1288#



The Learning Centre 2 Community Support Workers are hosting a Family Math Night!

Please see the flyer for details and Zoom Meeting Link.

SickKids COVID-19 Saliva PCR Testing & Vaccination Drop-in Session



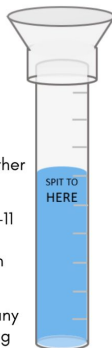
NEW DATES ADDED:

Drop-in info sessions every Wednesday
at 12:00pm & 6:30pm (EST) from
December 1st to 15th!

This is an opportunity for the SickKids Team to share information about the COVID-19 saliva testing program being implemented at your school, and further discuss vaccines for the **5-11 year age group**, including:

- Discussion regarding current recommendations for vaccination for the 5-11 year old age group
- Understand how to best support your child in preparation for vaccination
- General Q&A period

Please note that any form of harassment and/or inappropriate behavior of any kinds towards staff or others guest will not be tolerated. Individuals displaying such behavior will be removed from the webinar immediately.



Dec 1, 2021
Featuring:

Dr. Danielle Gibbs, MD MSc
Clinical Fellow Physician at
SickKids COVID-19 Vaccine Consult
Service

Zoom Info Session Link:

<https://utoronto.zoom.us/j/7655315867>

Meeting ID: 765 531 5867

Phone: +1 647 558 0588 Canada

Find your local number:

<https://utoronto.zoom.us/j/7655315867>



Interested in information regarding the COVID-19 saliva testing program being implemented at Roywood and the space to discuss vaccinations for the 5-11 year age group?

SickKids is hosting Drop In Sessions every Wednesday at 12:00pm & 6:30pm.

See the flyer for more information.

Welcome to Roywood EarlyON!

The free in-person program is offered Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. by pre-registration through Eventbrite using the following link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/earlyon-roywood-ps-proof-of-full-vaccination-required-tickets-173628265817>

The virtual EarlyON programming is offered as follows:

“Baby Time” on Google Meet Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. using the link: meet.google.com/ktx-qdvx-gwq

“Music and Story Time” on Zoom Tuesday and Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:p.m.

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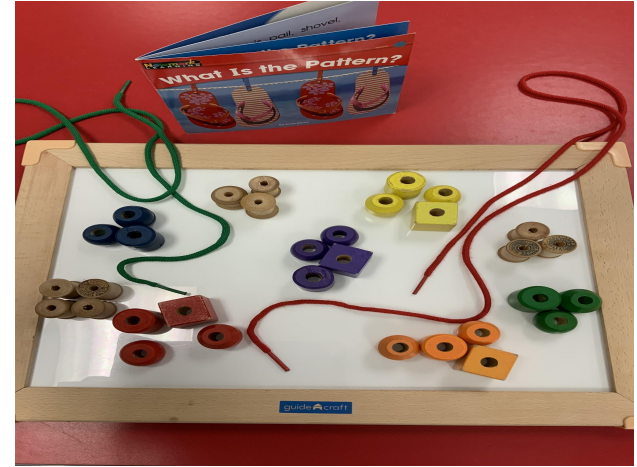
Follow us on Facebook at EarlyON at TDSB -North Scarborough for more information.



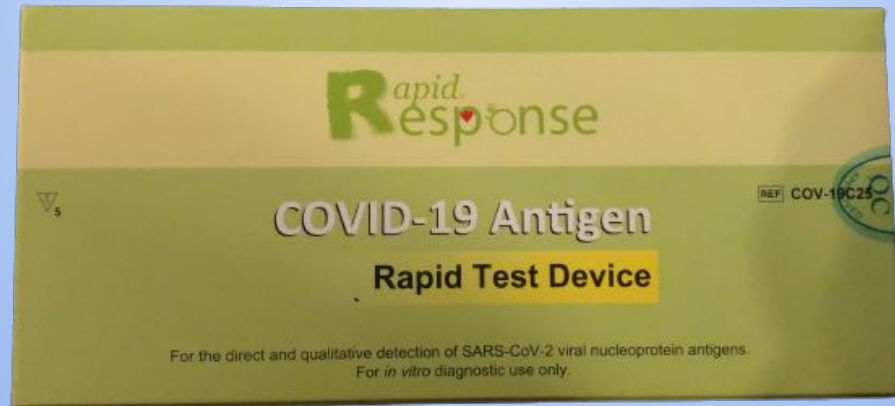
Dear Families,

Join our EarlyON in-person program so your little bundles will have the opportunity to explore some of the activities provided. Please remember to book your spots through Eventbrite, one ticket for each person.




Have a wonderful weekend!


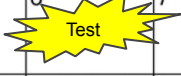


How to use your COVID-19 Tests



Use one test every 3-4 days (Monday and Thursday), starting on Dec. 23

December 2021						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 	24	25
26	27 	28	29	30 	31	

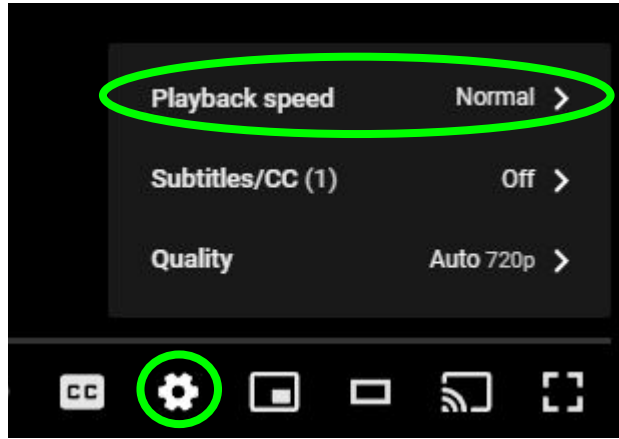
JANUARY 2022						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Wiki Calendar

These tests are to be used by students who do not have [symptoms of COVID-19](#). If your child has symptoms, please get them tested at a [COVID-19 Test Site](#).

Please note that this testing schedule may change based on local public health direction.

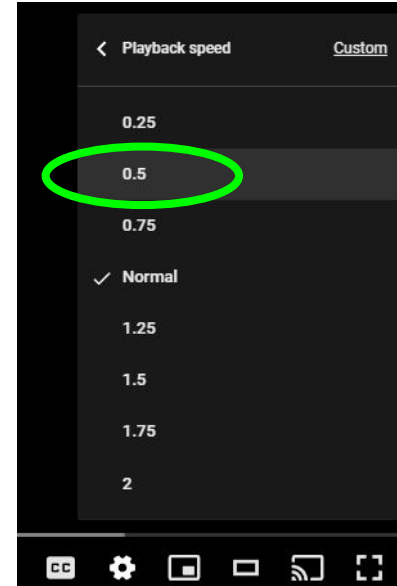
YouTube Video Tip: Slow Down the Video



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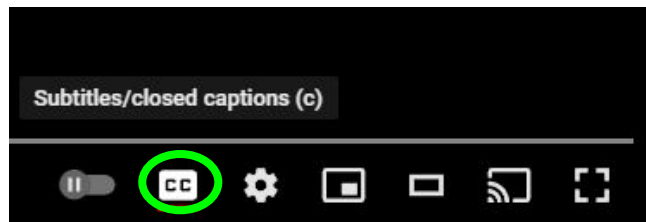


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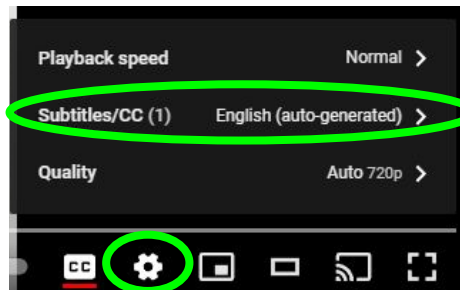


3) Click on a **speed (number)**

YouTube Video Tip: Translated Closed Captions



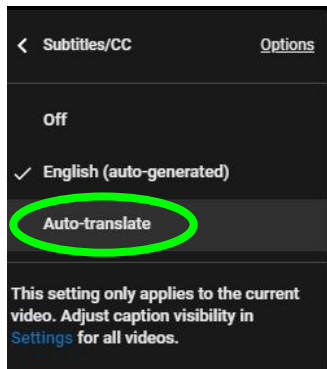
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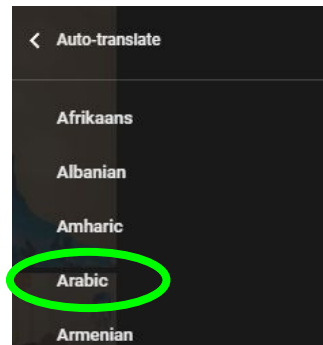
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3) Click **Subtitles/CC**



4) Click **Auto-translate**



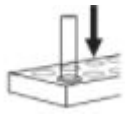
5) Click your **language**.

Rapid Test Video: How to do the test

Play Video



While the swab is compressed, rotate the tip for at least 5 seconds.



1. Place the tube in the stand.



2. Open the buffer liquid package.



3. Pour the buffer into the tube.



4. Remove the swab.



5. Tilt your child's head back 70 degrees.
6. Insert the swab 1.5 centimetres into one nostril.



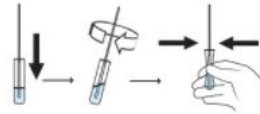
7. Move the swab using a circular motion inside the nostril for at least 5 seconds.



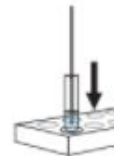
8. Press on the side of the nose. Rotate the swab for at least 5 seconds.



9. Use the same swab on the other nostril. Follow steps 6-8 on the Other nostril.

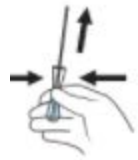


10. Insert the swab into the tube.
11. Swirl the swab around in the tube.
12. Squeeze the swab by pinching the sides of the tube together 10-15 times.



13. Put the tube back in the stand and wait for 2 minutes.



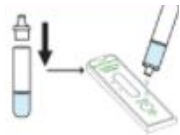


14. Squeeze the tube to get the liquid out of the swab and throw out the swab.

15. Put the nozzle on the tube.

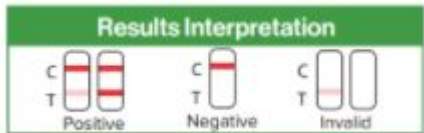
16. Turn the tube upside down.

17. Squeeze 3 drops of the liquid onto the circle on the top of the test.



18. Set a timer for **15 minutes**.

19. View the test results after 15 minutes.



If your child tests **positive**, please get them tested at a [COVID-19 Test Site](#) and [self-isolate](#) (stay at home) until the results come back.

For more information, please see the [information sheet from Health Ontario](#), and the package insert that came with your tests.

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