



**St. Elias Community School Council**

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## **NOTICE TO ST. ELIAS COMMUNITY SCHOOL FAMILIES**

The St. Elias Community School Council is concerned about the safety of our students attending school in-person this week.

We have learned from school administration that the school has been short up to 13 staff today, for reasons including illness and cold temperatures, and that the school boiler systems are not working correctly due to the extreme cold temperatures and issues with propane regulators (when frozen, one of three boilers work). Weather Canada is forecasting -47 degrees C when school starts tomorrow morning. At times the temperature in the school today was 13 degrees C.

The School Council has asked the Department of Education to move to online learning for the remainder of this week, but that request was denied and we were informed that the school will remain open.

We believe parents should be aware of these concerns when deciding whether to send their kids to school tomorrow.

*Thank you. Gunalchish.*

*The St. Elias Community School Council*