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Dear Parents and Guardians,

In the past few weeks, news of the health risks associated with the use of face masks containing nanoform graphene has been circulating.

In response to a Health Canada advisory, Near North District School Board's (NNDSB) health and safety team reviewed the technical specifications of the masks provided to the board by the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services and in the board's current inventory. The team has determined that none of NNDSB's mask supply contains nanoform graphene.

All masks that have been provided by NNDSB to staff and to students who have forgotten their masks are free of this material and are safe for use. The board's team will respond to any issues that may impact the health and safety of staff and students. All are encouraged to continue to use board-provided personal protective equipment (PPE) in accordance with current policy and procedure.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Near North District School Board