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NOTIFICATION OF EXPOSURE TO COVID-19

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s), Student(s) and Staff at J. Addison School,

Please be advised our school is currently under surveillance due to a laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 case among staff or students, where there is currently no evidence of transmission within the school. The individual in question has been in isolation and has not started to attend classes yet. Based on this information, J. Addison School immediately notified Public Health authorities for direction and arranged a deep cleaning and disinfecting of the school's facilities. Public Health authorities visited J. Addison School and conducted a thorough examination of the school building and has determined that since our school has implemented strict public health measures within the school environment, such as physical distancing of students and staff, increased hand hygiene, and a seating plan in the cafeteria and the wearing of personal protective equipment (PPE), the risk of acquiring COVID-19 to anyone is very low.

We are pleased to inform you that this individual has tested negative upon re-testing and completely healthy, but will continue isolation for precautionary purposes.

York Region Public Health will be conducting a thorough investigation to identify close contacts of anyone who may have been exposed. As a precautionary measure, any students or staff who visited the school dormitory on the third floor or the school cafeteria on the first floor from September 5th until September 9th, we advise you be aware of and watch for signs and symptoms of COVID-19. These can include:

- Fever (37.8°C or higher)
- New or worsening cough
- Shortness of breath, sore throat or difficulty breathing
- Altered smell or taste
- Nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain
- Runny nose

Although less common, other sign and symptoms in children may include:

- Unexplained fatigue, malaise or myalgia (tiredness, feeling unwell, or muscle aches)
- Worsening of chronic conditions
- Chills
- Headaches
- Croup
- Pink eye

- Red/purple discolouration to hands, fingers, feet and/or toes, and skin may peel (COVID-toes)
- Lethargy
- Difficulty feeding in infants

Should any of these signs or symptoms develop, seek assessment and testing at a COVID-19 Assessment Centre (located at all York Region hospitals) and notify J. Addison School.

You can obtain more details at york.ca/covid19 or contact York Region Public Health at 1-877-464-9675, ext. 73588.

Please be assured that we will always prioritize the health and safety of our staff and students. Should you have any questions, you can speak to a member of our Administration team.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lee Venditti". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent flourish at the end.

Lee Venditti,
Principal