

Family and Community Communication — Confirmed Case of COVID-19 in School Community

February 25th, 2021

Good Afternoon Families,

This is Lucas Boluk, Principal of St. Peter. I'm reaching out with an important message. Today, the Brant County Health Unit confirmed another positive case of COVID-19 in our school community. Understandably, for privacy reasons, the identity of the individual will not be disclosed. They have been directed by the health unit to self-isolate.

The effected classroom has already been directed by the health unit to self-isolate. If your family was not contacted by our staff today, you have not been identified as a close contact at this time. The Ministry of Health mandates public health units to be in contact with known close contacts within 24-48 hours of being made aware of them. The local public health unit may not be aware of all contacts at the time you receive this communication, as they require time to conduct the investigation with cases.

If further students or staff are impacted, the Brant County Health Unit will let us know as soon as possible. Moving forward, all St. Peter students and staff are asked to monitor their health. If symptoms consistent with COVID-19 develop, or you feel that you may have been exposed to COVID-19, please contact your primary health care provider as you may need to be tested.

Our school remains closed to all individuals, not asked by Public Health to self-isolate until March 11th. Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board custodians continue to complete their deep cleaning and disinfecting of our school to be ready for reopening on March 11th.

Staff will work with students and families to ensure learning continues for those who are self-isolating. The individual who tested positive, as well as all close contacts as determined by Public Health, must complete their isolation period and be able to pass the COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool before returning to school. If you have any questions, please visit the Brant County Health Unit Website COVID-19 information page or you can reach out to us at the school.

Thank you,

Lucas Boluk