



Family and Community Communication – Outbreak Notification

April 11, 2021

Good Evening Madonna Della Libera Families,

This is Dan Pace, Principal of Madonna Della Libera. I'm reaching out with an important message.

Today, the Brant County Health Unit confirmed an additional case of COVID-19, declaring an outbreak in our school community. An outbreak in a school is defined as two or more lab-confirmed COVID-19 cases in students and/or staff in a school with an epidemiological link, within a 14-day period, where at least one case could have reasonably acquired their infection in the school.

Understandably, for privacy reasons, the identity of this individual will not be disclosed. This individual has been directed by the health unit to self-isolate.

The Brant County Health Unit did NOT identify any close contacts within our school community to this COVID-19 case as the individual was not in contact with any other school community individual during their period of communicability.

If the Health Unit identifies that at least one case associated with this outbreak has screened positive for a variant of concern (VOC) we will post that information, when it is shared with us, on the COVID-19 Reporting by Location webpage (<http://www.bhncdsb.ca/page/covid-19-reporting-location>). Please note that VOC screening results take 3-4 days after the positive test result is received. Further information about variants of concern can be found at www.bchu.org.

If further students or staff are impacted, the Brant County Health Unit will let us know as soon as possible.

Moving forward, all Madonna Della Libera 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.

After the break, our school remains open to all individuals, not asked by Public Health to self-isolate. Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board custodians continue to complete their disinfecting of our school throughout the day and each evening.

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.