



GOVERNMENT OF BERMUDA

Ministry of Health

Office of the Chief Medical Officer

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15<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian/Teacher/Staff of Somersfield Academy,

**Re: Notice to Parents/Teachers/Staff of potential exposure to COVID-19**

This letter is to inform you that the Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (ESU) of the Ministry of Health has become aware of a potential exposure at Somersfield Academy to someone confirmed with COVID-19.

The person confirmed with COVID-19 has been isolated. ESU is contacting confirmed close contacts who are being advised that they must quarantine (stay home and away from other activities) and be tested for COVID-19.

A full assessment will be completed by our public health officers.

**Following the assessment, communication will be provided by the Ministry of Health on any further recommended public health measures such as quarantine and testing.**

The ESU encourages you to watch for any symptoms of COVID-19. These symptoms could include any of the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cough   | <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle or body aches                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing             | <input type="checkbox"/> Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fever of 100.4°F or higher or a sense of having a fever | <input type="checkbox"/> Congestion/runny nose – not related to seasonal allergies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat   | <input type="checkbox"/> Unusual tiredness   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chills  | <input type="checkbox"/> Headache  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New loss of taste or smell                              |  |

While many of these symptoms can be seen with other conditions such as influenza, we ask that you contact your doctor for evaluation if any of these symptoms are experienced.

If you have further questions concerning COVID-19, consult your healthcare provider or contact [schoolsurv@gov.bm](mailto:schoolsurv@gov.bm)

Sincerely Yours,

Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit