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Dear STF Families,

We have been notified that a 7<sup>th</sup> Grade student has tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26<sup>th</sup>. Due to potential exposure, the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade students will stay home and transition to online learning starting tomorrow until February 8<sup>th</sup>, and those families are being contacted directly. Please understand that we are unable to identify the individual due to federal medical privacy laws.

Our current COVID-19 numbers are as follows:

- Number of students COVID-19 positive: 1
- Number of staff COVID-19 positive: 0
- Number of students in quarantine: 29
- Number of staff in quarantine: 0
- Cumulative confirmed case history since September 1, 2020: 15

COVID-19 is a contagious viral illness that spreads in the air through coughing, sneezing, and talking. Recent information suggests COVID-19 is spread by people who are not showing symptoms. It may be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it, then touching their own mouth, nose, or possibly their eyes. Symptoms include fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea.

Out of an abundance of caution, we recommend that you watch your child for any symptoms of COVID-19. If your child does develop symptoms, we urge you to get your child tested for COVID-19. Testing locations can be found using the COVID-19 Test Finder at <https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus>. If your child tests positive for COVID-19 or is symptomatic and you do not wish to pursue testing, please keep him or her at home until they have been fever free for at least 24 hours and it has been more than ten days since the initial onset of symptoms.

For additional information regarding COVID-19, please visit the OCHD website at <https://www.oakgov.com/health>. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school office.

Your Partner in Catholic Education,

*Mrs. Rosanne Jodway*