

January 10, 2021

RE: Cowichan Secondary School, 2652 James St, Duncan, BC V9L 2X2

Dear Parents, Guardians, Families and Staff,

This letter is to provide **general** notification that a member of your school community **has** tested positive for COVID-19. This individual is isolating and is being followed by Island Health.

Dates of potential exposure in the school community occurred:

Dates of attendance: Jan 5, 6 and 7, 2021

Island Health has completed contact tracing to identify any staff and students that need to self-isolate or self-monitor for symptoms.

Receiving this letter does not mean you have been exposed to COVID19.

The intent of this letter is to share information with the school community and advise you on next steps being taken by Island Health.

HOW IS COVID-19 SPREAD?

This virus is spread between people by droplets. This means you need to be close enough to be exposed to saliva or mucus from the mouth, nose or throat of the infected person.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

- Phone calls have been made to staff and students that Island Health has identified as needing to self isolate for 14 days from when they were exposed.
- Letters have been sent out to staff and students who will be asked to self-monitor for symptoms. These staff/students may continue to attend school while monitoring for symptoms.

- If you do not receive a phone call or letter continue to attend school and monitor for symptoms compatible to COVID-19 as per your school policies.
- For privacy reasons, we cannot give out any specific details on the COVID-19 exposure other than the information provided above

Huy ch q'u (Thank you),



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Sincerely,



Robyn Gray
Superintendent of Schools