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Dear Parents, Staff and Community Members:

The Intensive Education Academy was notified that a member of our school community has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19). The affected person has been instructed to remain home in self-isolation for 10 days and has been provided with additional instructions to follow prior to returning to school.

This person was not in the school building during the period of time they were infectious, and as such contact tracing has determined there are no contacts in our school community. In working with the local health department it has been determined no further action is required at this time.

While we are now a year past the onset of this pandemic, we must remain vigilant in our precautions. Even with vaccinations, new variants as well as community spread make it essential that we all continue mask wearing, social distancing, and monitoring for signs of illness.

Please continue to monitor yourself and family members for these COVID-19 symptoms:

- ☐ Fever (100.4° Fahrenheit or higher)
- ☐ Chills or shaking chills
- ☐ Uncontrolled new cough (not due to other known cause, such as chronic cough)
- ☐ Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
- ☐ New loss of taste or smell
- ☐ Other non-specific symptoms such as headache, fatigue, sore throat, body aches, nausea/vomiting/diarrhea

It is important that you inform the school nurse of any positive test results or close contact with someone who has COVID-19 at jeanurese@ie-academy.org or 860-310-2784.

For additional information on COVID-19 symptoms, please see:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

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Staff and students exhibiting any of the above symptoms, or feeling ill, should remain home and call their medical provider to report their symptoms and ask about testing prior to seeking in-person care at a clinic, physician's office, or hospital. Don't forget to report any absences via our absence reporting form found here:

<https://www.ie-academy.org/student-life/current-families.html>

For more information on what to do if you or a family member has possible symptoms, a diagnosis, or exposure to COVID-19, please see *Addendum 5: Interim Guidance for Responding to COVID-19 Scenarios in Connecticut School Districts*, available here.

<https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/COVID19/COVID-19-Resources-for-Families-and-Educators/Addendums-and-FAQs>

We are closely monitoring this situation and working with the West Hartford-Bloomfield Health District and will provide you with updates as we know more. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at jforman@ie-academy.org or 860.236.2049.

Sincerely,

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