

IMPORTANT LETTER: Please have this letter **translated** if needed.

April 20, 2021

Dunsmuir Middle School, 3341 Painter Rd, BC, V9C 2J1

COVID-19 General Notification

Dear Parents, Guardians, Families and Staff,

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

Dates of potential exposure in the school community occurred:

April 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 2021

Island Health is completing contact tracing to identify any staff or students that need to self-isolate or self-monitor for symptoms.

Receiving this letter does not mean you or your child has been exposed to COVID-19.

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?

COVID-19 is primarily spread by the respiratory droplets an infected person produces when they breathe, cough, sneeze, talk, or sing. If you are in close contact with an infected person for a prolonged period of time, the virus can enter your body if droplets get into your throat, nose, or eyes.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

- Phone calls or letters will be sent to staff and students that Island Health has identified as needing to self-isolate for 14 days from when they were exposed.
- If you do not receive a phone call or letter, continue to **monitor for symptoms of COVID-19** and seek testing and self-isolate if symptoms begin.
- For privacy reasons, we cannot give out any specific details on the COVID-19 exposure other than the information provided above.

Yours in health,



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