



October 9, 2020

Dear Employees of The Mather,

We wanted to inform you that we learned that an employee who works in The Mather Life Centre has a confirmed case of the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19). The case was discovered through routine surveillance testing; all other employees within the Life Centre have tested negative so far. (Six results are still pending.) The employee is recovering at home and we wish them a speedy recovery as they follow guidance from their physician. The Mather is interviewing this individual to determine if he/she was in close contact with residents and/or employees (meaning within 6 feet of anyone for more than 15 minutes).

EMPLOYEE & RESIDENT TESTING:

- We will begin weekly testing of employees who work in the Life Centre.
 - The testing will occur on Monday, October 12 between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. and between 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.
 - Employee testing will continue for a minimum of two weeks, until no new cases are identified over a period of 14 days.
- Residents in the Life Centre will be tested this weekend.

PROTOCOLS & PRECAUTIONS:

Here at The Mather, we continue our protocols of health and temperature screening of employees, utilizing face masks at all times, social distancing, cleaning and sanitizing.

Please remember that a negative test result only reflects health status at that point in time. **It's very important that we continue to practice safe measures outside of work, such as physical distancing from anyone you do not live with (no closer than 6 feet and for no longer than 15 minutes), frequent hand-washing, staying away from groups of 10 or more people, wearing masks, and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces in our homes.**

Please stay home if you are not feeling well. If you experience any symptoms, including a loss of taste or smell, cough, fever, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, shortness of breath, pink eye, eye pain, vertigo, and gastrointestinal issues such as diarrhea, nausea, or vomiting, please immediately reach out to your physician and notify your manager or your Human Resources representative.

For questions, please contact your manager, your HR representative Maria Izokaitis at mizokaitis@thematherevanston.com, or Deann Daniel at (847) 492.4646 or ddaniel@thematherevanston.com.

Sincerely,

Deann Daniel
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