October 9, 2020

Dear Residents,

We received notice this afternoon that an employee who works in The Mather Life Centre has a **confirmed positive 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. (Some 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).

## LIFE CENTRE EMPLOYEE & RESIDENT TESTING:

We will test Life Centre residents and employees every week until no new cases are identified over a period of 14 days. Resident testing will begin this weekend.

## **LIFE CENTRE VISITS: ALL VISITS PAUSED**

All indoor and outdoor visits are suspended until we have no new cases in the Life Centre over a period of 14 days.

## **PROTOCOLS & PRECAUTIONS:**

Here at The Mather, we continue our infection control measures, cleaning and sanitizing, wearing of face masks, social distancing, and health and temperature screening of employees before they start their shift.

For general questions, please call (847) 492.4651 or email <a href="mailto:bewell@thematherevanston.com">bewell@thematherevanston.com</a>.

Thank you and stay well.

Sincerely,

Deann Daniel Executive Director

PS: Please note that this letter is being shared with all residents' current emergency contacts.

## **COVID-19 SYMPTOMS:**

If you are experiencing any of the following symptoms, you should contact your physician for guidance, stay in your home, and notify the Concierge at (847) 492.5000. Symptoms include a loss of taste or smell, cough, fever, sore throat, shortness of breath, and gastrointestinal issues such as diarrhea, nausea, or vomiting. Newer symptoms recently added include headache, chills, and muscle pain. Please note that pink eye, eye pain, or vertigo, as well as discoloration of the toes may also be COVID-19 symptoms.



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