

COVID-19 UPDATE

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Dear Residents of The Mather,

We wanted to inform you that we have learned that **one Independent Living resident has tested positive for COVID-19**. We wish this individual a speedy recovery.

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). Individuals who have been in close contact will be notified.

WHERE WE STAND RIGHT NOW:

As you're aware, our community has enjoyed a respite from COVID-19 cases for a while. This sharp decrease in positive cases is true throughout Illinois. However, the virus is still in circulation, with a new variant on the horizon.

Please continue to take precautions to protect yourself and your neighbors, even during these seemingly safe times. Those most vulnerable to severe illness from COVID-19 include people 65 and older and those with underlying medical conditions. Being fully vaccinated and boosted is essential in slowing the transmission of COVID-19; however, it is still essential to practice infection control to minimize risks.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

In addition to frequent hand washing, maintaining social distance, and avoiding large gatherings, residents can help control COVID-19 in our community by:

- **Staying home if you are sick, even with mild, cold-like symptoms.**
- **Wearing a good-quality face mask that covers your mouth and nose any time you are indoors in public.**

Please take care and stay well.

Sincerely,

Deann Daniel
Executive Director

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



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