

COVID-19 UPDATE

March 23, 2023

Dear Team Members of The Mather,

Although the number of cases of COVID-19 is down in our community and in our region, we ask that you continue to take steps to protect your health and the health of those around you. The following three steps are effective against COVID-19, colds, and flu!

1. **Wear a face mask when you're in a group setting.**
2. **Practice good hand sanitation.**
3. **Stay home when you feel ill.**

UPDATE ON COVID-19 IN OUR COMMUNITY:

This update encompasses the period from March 8 through 21. **During those weeks, we learned that one Independent Living employee has tested positive for COVID-19.**

The Mather has interviewed the individuals to determine if they were in close contact with residents and/or employees (meaning within 6 feet of anyone for more than 15 minutes), and notified any affected individuals.

MASK MANDATE LIFTED FOR THE LIFE CENTRE:

The Mather Life Centre has gone two weeks without a reported case of COVID-19, so our outbreak protocols have ended. Because of this, and because transmission levels in our county are not high, **masks are not currently mandatory for residents, guests, and team members in the Life Centre. However, we strongly recommend wearing a mask for the remainder of the flu season.**

Please be aware that another mask mandate for the Life Centre could result from an increased COVID-19 transmission level in our area, or if we have a new case of COVID-19 in the Life Centre.

Take care and stay well.

Sincerely,

Deann Daniel
Executive Director