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Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Guardians:

I am writing to inform you we have had three people in our school community test positive for COVID-19 this week. Please know that these cases originated outside of our school facility. We have completed all contact tracing. We are following our comprehensive plan to sanitize the school, inform families whose students were at risk of exposure or in close contact, and support the affected families as they navigate this stressful experience.

If you were not contacted privately by the school, your student was **not** a close contact of the affected school members. Please continue to follow your daily routines and monitor your child for symptoms, and keep them home if he/she/they show any symptoms or is not feeling well.

Parents of students who **were** in close contact with the community members have been notified privately. All close contacts have been advised of their option to test but must self-quarantine for 14 days after the last exposure to the person who tested positive, regardless of test result. We are also following all Department of Health protocols, including collaborating with our local board of health to complete contact tracing. Additionally, we are asking those parents whose students are tested for COVID-19 to please report the results to the school nurse. We are working hard to understand the impact of the virus on our school community and this information is a critical piece of that puzzle.

As we head into the Thanksgiving break, please remember to keep vigilant and continue to closely adhere to the safety protocols including mask wearing, hand washing, and physical distancing. We are grateful to our families for their continued efforts to keep students' home at the first sign of symptoms. These measures, taken in combination, have been proven to greatly reduce the risk of additional transmission.

If you plan to travel out of state for Thanksgiving, please be advised of the State of Massachusetts [COVID-19 Travel Orders](#). If your family will be traveling next week for Thanksgiving, please be sure to notify our school nurse. We will be maintaining records to provide safe entry to in-person learning for all students and staff. In accordance with the [MA Travel Orders](#), any travel to a [restricted state](#) requires a 14-day quarantine or proof of a negative COVID-19 test. The COVID-19 test must be completed within 72-hours of your return to Massachusetts and be of the PCR type NOT a rapid test. Your student will not be allowed to return to school until a negative test result is received and a return date is confirmed by the school.

We are committed to continuous communication with and support of our families. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact the Superintendent, Kyle J. Brenner at [KBrenner@baypath.net](mailto:KBrenner@baypath.net). If there is additional transmission as a result of this case or a separate case, we will send out another message immediately. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

*Kyle J. Brenner*

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