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To: St. Ann School Community,

This letter is to inform you that the Thunder Bay District Health Unit has been notified of 13 additional individuals associated with St. Ann School who have tested positive for COVID-19 since November 26, 2021 when the outbreak was declared, bringing the total to 18.

As a precautionary measure, TBDHU in collaboration with Thunder Bay District Catholic School Board would like to expand the investigation by recommending broader COVID-19 testing to those individuals (staff and students) outside of the cohorts that have been directly impacted. Individuals in those impacted cohorts have already been contacted directly by public health and provided instructions on testing and on quarantine/isolation. Staff or students who have not been contacted directly would be considered at lower risk; however, we are recommending that testing take place, whether you have symptoms or not.

To support getting tested, TBDHU is asking staff and students to attend a drive-through testing clinic at **St. Ann School on Saturday, December 4th between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.** This clinic will be delivered by Superior North EMS. For individuals who may not have a vehicle tomorrow, testing can still be done at this clinic. When you arrive at the clinic area, please connect with a staff person who will direct you where to go.

This is a voluntary testing event and you are not obliged to participate. We do encourage you to get tested. Getting tested will assist with TBDHU's investigation to detect any undetected spread of the virus as well as to support a safe return to in-person learning.

Please click on the following booking link to secure your appointment time:

<https://launch.caredove.com/service/referralform/24290>

(Please remember to have your Ontario Health Card available.)

TBDHU recognizes that these are challenging times and your assistance with this part of our investigation is appreciated as we continue to take the measures necessary to protect the students and the staff at St. Ann School.

Sincerely,

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