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Dear Parents/Guardians:

RE: CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID-19 AT DISCOVERY EARLY LEARNING AND CARE OPERATING OUT OF ST. JOHN SCHOOL

In working with Public Health Sudbury & Districts, the Sudbury Catholic District School Board has been advised that a confirmed case of COVID-19 has been reported at the Discovery Early Learning and Care Daycare operating out of St. John School. Relevant staff and the parents/guardians of children who are required to self-isolate have been notified. Public Health Sudbury & Districts will follow up directly with close contacts.

The investigation by Public Health Sudbury & Districts is ongoing. At this time, Public Health has closed for today (Jan 14th, 2021) the toddler, junior pre-school and kindergarten daycare groups. Remaining open are the senior school aged before and after school program as well as the senior preschool. Enhanced cleaning and disinfecting did take place, including the daycare, hallways, common areas and classrooms before classes began this morning.

While the school does not operate the daycare, it is an important part of our school community. At this time, there has been no Public Health direction related to the school as a result of the confirmed case at the daycare.

We remind parents/guardians of the following measures:

- Children should be screened daily for symptoms of COVID-19. You may access the tool at the following link: <u>https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/.</u> Anyone who is sick must stay home.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Sneeze and cough into your sleeve.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.
- Practise physical distancing.
- Face coverings are required for all students while at school.

If you have any questions regarding COVID-19 or the measures taken to address COVID-19, please visit <u>www.phsd.ca/COVID-19</u> or contact Public Health Sudbury & Districts at 705.522.9200 ext. 524 (toll-free 1.866.522.9200).

Thank you for working together to keep everyone safe.

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