



March 10, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians and Staff:

This letter is notification of three additional confirmed cases of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in your school community. Please note at this time, an outbreak has <u>not</u> been declared, because in each of the confirmed cases the exposures occurred ou<u>tside</u> of the school setting. Lambton Public Health is working closely with the school community and is contacting any individuals (students and staff) who may have been in potential contact with the virus.

Lambton Public Health will only call close contacts of confirmed cases. If you have not been contacted (either by telephone call or by letter), your child has not been in close contact with the confirmed cases. As requested prior to the start of the school year, please continue to monitor your child for symptoms of COVID-19. If your child is ill, please keep them at home and call your health care provider or local health unit.

People with COVID-19 may have little to no symptoms; some symptoms are similar to the common cold or flu. Symptoms range from mild – like the flu and other common respiratory infections – to severe. The most common symptoms include: fever, cough, difficulty breathing, change in smell or taste.

The coronavirus spreads from close contact with the respiratory droplets of a person infected with COVID-19. Respiratory droplets can include coughing, sneezing, talking and normal breathing. It is possible for a person to get COVID-19 by touching surfaces that have the virus on it and then touching their mouth, nose, or eyes.

Additional information about COVID-19, including symptoms and recommendations for preventing and controlling the spread of the virus, is available in the attached fact sheet. Sincerely,

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