

January 10, 2021

Dear St. John's Residents, Tenants and Families,

Tomorrow, January 11, is another COVID-19 testing day at St. John's. Ongoing testing has helped us to identify employees and residents that are infected with the COVID-19 virus. We've been doing exceptionally well keeping this virus away from the residents and tenants. The number of employees that test positive on any given week seems to mirror what is happening in Freeborn County.

Yesterday, January 9<sup>th</sup> we had an employee that tested positive for the COVID-19 virus. This employee works at the Luther Place Nursing Home. We encourage our employees to go immediately to Mayo if they are experiencing symptoms of the COVID-19 virus. What we are finding is that an employee can test negative for the virus on Monday during St. John's testing, and then three or four days later the employee starts having symptoms. Our employees have been very careful to monitor their overall health and get tested as soon as they start having symptoms of the COVID virus. I can't thank our employees enough for the precautions that they are taking to protect the residents, tenants and their coworkers.

The number of COVID positive cases in Freeborn County has been fairly high over the last few days. Please continue to take precautions to protect yourself, your family and others from this virus. It's very evident right now that this virus is still spreading. As more and more people become vaccinated, I'm hopeful that this will help to slow the spread of this virus.

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Sincerely,

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