



COVID Update

November 15, 2021

Dear Residents, Tenants, and Families,

Last Thursday, November 11, we tested St. John's employees at both locations, and we also tested residents at the Woodlands due to the Covid outbreak at the Woodlands. All employee and resident tests from last Thursday came back negative.

Today, we are testing employees again at both St. John's locations, and we are testing residents that reside at the Woodlands as well. We should have test result from today's testing by late Wednesday afternoon.

Late Friday afternoon, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) issued new guidelines for visitation in the nursing home and assisted living settings. At this time, CMS has decided to lift visitor restrictions. The new guidelines state: "Visitation is now allowed for all residents at all times." The guidelines still require the screening of all visitors, and visitors must continue to follow infection control practices during the visit such as wearing a mask and hand sanitizing throughout the visit. I'm happy that the visitor restrictions have been lifted. At the same time, I would encourage all visitors to take extra care and precaution when visiting. We certainly do not want to expose any of our residents, tenants, visitors, or caregivers to the Covid virus.

God Bless and take care,

Scot Spates

CEO / Administrator