



February 19, 2021  
COVID Update

Dear Residents, Tenants, and Families,

I will keep this update short again this week.

We tested nursing home residents and employees on Monday, February 15, and all of the tests came back negative for the COVID-19 virus. I'm very happy with these results, and I'm very thankful for all of the precautions that people are taking to protect the residents and tenants that live at St. John's.

Yesterday, we had a conference call with one of the pharmacists at HyVee, and they are running into difficulties securing enough vaccine for Essential Caregivers. HyVee receives a limited supply of the vaccine, so please reach out to them to get on the waiting list. We were hoping that Essential Caregivers would be able to move to the front of the line, but it's just not working out this way due to the demand for the vaccine throughout Minnesota.

The days are starting to get a little bit longer, and the first day of spring is only 29 days away. As we pass from one season to another, I'm reminded that the COVID virus will one day be behind us. The vaccine is defiantly a major milestone in the fight against this virus. Hopefully, in the next few months, the vaccine will be readily available to everyone. In the meantime, please continue to wear a mask, wash or sanitize your hands frequently throughout the day, and physically distance yourself from others whenever possible. Taking these simple precautions helps to protect ourselves and others from this virus.

God Bless,

Scot Spates  
St. John's Lutheran Community  
CEO / Administrator

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