



COVID Update
November 27, 2020

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

We had two employees that work at the Woodlands that had symptoms of the COVID-19 virus and went to Mayo Health Systems to be tested. They were informed yesterday that they were positive for the COVID-19 virus. The employees will be in quarantine for 10 days and must be symptom free before they can return to work.

This past week we had three employees that work at the Woodlands that tested positive for the COVID-19 virus, and one resident tested positive. This virus is invisible and highly contagious. The number of people infected with this virus is increasing in Freeborn County, Minnesota, and throughout the United States. I encouraged our staff yesterday to take precautions (wear a mask, physical distancing, hand hygiene) when at work and when off of work. All of us have to do everything possible to protect ourselves and others from this virus. We will soon have a vaccine and this will help to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus, but in the meantime, we have to be extra careful to protect ourselves and others.

Due to the increasing numbers of people that are being infected with this virus, next week we will begin testing residents and employees twice a week for the COVID-19 virus. Testing is a very time consuming undertaking for our staff, and I want to publically thank them for all that they are doing to protect the people we serve from this virus.

The COVID-19 updates are posted on St. John's website: www.stjohnsofalbertlea.org. The website is the quickest means of keeping families and friends of St. John's updated on the COVID-19 virus. Please communicate with your family that the updates are posted on the St. John's website. The link to the COVID updates is found on the top of the home page.

Thank you for your understanding and support as we confront this virus and make every effort to keep it away from the St. John's residents, tenants, and employees.

God Bless,

Scot Spates
CEO / Administrator

