

School Messenger – COVID-19 Test

Good Afternoon Cobblestone Families,

This is Principal Cam MacDonald. I'm reaching out with an important message.

Late this afternoon, the Brant County Health Unit confirmed a case of COVID-19 in our school community. Understandably, for privacy reasons, the identity of this individual will not be disclosed. This individual has been directed by the health unit to [self-isolate](#) for 14 days, along with any family members who reside in the same household.

Upon receiving this news late this afternoon, we contacted the students and staff initially identified by the Brant County Health Unit as close contacts to the COVID-19 case. We sent these individuals home immediately. They will also remain home tomorrow. During the next 24-48 hours, the Brant County Health Unit will be in direct contact with these individuals as they work through their contact tracing. The health unit will provide further direction and next steps to these individuals.

A close contact includes any students or staff in this individual's class or cohort, but may also include others. If your child was not sent home today, they have not been identified as a close contact at this time. If further students or staff are impacted, the Brant County Health Unit will let us know as soon as possible.

Our school will be open tomorrow and we look forward to seeing everyone. Grand Erie custodians will be disinfecting our school tonight, as they do each night.

If you have any questions, please take a look at the [COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions](#) on the board's at www.granderie.ca or you can contact us here at the school.

A friendly reminder that all Cobblestone students and staff are required to monitor their health daily. If symptoms consistent with COVID-19 develop, please contact your primary health care provider. Anyone concerned that they may have developed or been exposed to COVID-19 is encouraged to get tested.

Moving forward, Cobblestone staff will work with students and families to ensure learning continues for those who are required to self-isolate.

The individual who tested positive as well as all close contacts must follow the direction of the health unit and be able to pass the [COVID-19 School Screening Tool](#) before returning to school.

Thank you.