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**RE: COVID-19 EXPOSURE FOLLOW-UP**

Dear Parents, Students and Staff,

This is a follow-up to the letter you received on January 31<sup>st</sup> about a COVID-19 exposure at **Garibaldi Secondary School** that occurred on January 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. The school case was confirmed by Public Health to be infected with the United Kingdom variant or type of COVID-19. However, Public Health has found no evidence of spread to other staff and students.

Public Health has confirmed that the case was following the school's safety plan. We are waiting for the final, confirmatory tests to arrive. However, the results from the rapid tests suggest that the variant did not spread among the students and staff from the case's cohort. On Monday and Tuesday, 87 staff and students were tested for COVID-19. Only one individual tested positive using the rapid test, but confirmatory testing was negative. Therefore, this person is considered negative for COVID-19.

We appreciate the coordination and support of the school and school district leadership. We also want to thank all staff and students who quickly responded to the call to get tested as part of this investigation.

Public Health will be sending additional communication once the final test results have been confirmed.

**WHERE CAN YOU LEARN MORE?**

- To speak with someone in your language call HealthLinkBC at 8-1-1 with any questions or concerns.
- For more information about COVID-19, go to the BC Centre for Disease Control website at [bccdc.ca](https://bccdc.ca) and select 'COVID-19 for the public' or scan this QR code:
- Additional resources and answers to frequently asked questions are available at: [fraserhealth.ca/coronavirus](https://fraserhealth.ca/coronavirus), [bccdc.ca](https://bccdc.ca) or scan this QR code:



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Sincerely,

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