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Dear Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School community,

This letter is to inform you that a student and a staff member at Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School have tested positive for COVID-19.

The student was last in the school on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 and the staff member on Thursday, April 1, 2021. The positive test results were confirmed by Hamilton Public Health Services (HPS) today. **The two cases are unrelated to each or to any previous cases at the school and do not constitute an outbreak.** Out of respect for the privacy of the individuals, personal health information and identifiers will not be released.

Any individuals that are required to quarantine will be notified by the school.

The school will continue to follow guidance from Public Health Officials around infection prevention and control. As part of its COVID-19 action plan, the HWCDSB will undertake a deep cleaning and disinfection of all areas at the school occupied by the symptomatic individuals. The HWCDSB COVID-19 Cleaning Procedure is based on the [Public Health Ontario – Cleaning and Disinfection in Public Settings](#) document.

As always, we are working closely with HPS to ensure all health and safety measures are in place to prevent transmission to other students and individuals in the school community. Students and staff should continue to attend school, unless directed otherwise by HPS, and to screen daily for COVID-19 symptoms on the provincial [COVID-19 school screening website](#). Please follow the directions provided in the COVID-19 school screening. If your child(ren) develops a single, new COVID-19 symptom, they must stay home from school and should get a COVID-19 test. To book a COVID-19 test, please go to www.HamiltonCovidTest.ca.

If you have any questions about COVID-19, please consult the Hamilton Public Health COVID-19 School Health program Hotline at 905-974-9848 (option 5) or covidschoolteam@hamilton.ca.

In closing, we wish to assure you of our ongoing commitment to the health, safety and well-being of our students and staff and will notify you of any new developments.

Sincerely,

Mr. M. Lawlor
Principal