

CHEVERUS

September 12, 2021

Dear Cheverus Community,

I'm writing to let you know that over the weekend two members of our community tested positive for COVID-19 using at-home rapid tests. As has been our procedure throughout the pandemic these test results will be confirmed with PCR tests as soon as possible. Both individuals will quarantine until they receive the results of their PCR tests, and should either or both tests come back positive they will continue to quarantine.

We have begun the process of contact-tracing for these individuals in preparation should either or both be positive; however, unlike during the last school year many of our close contacts may not need to quarantine. All of our faculty and staff are vaccinated and over 80% of our student body is also vaccinated and will not be required to quarantine should they be identified as close contacts.

As you may be aware under the current [DOE standard operating procedures](#) close contacts in schools where masking is required (which it has been at Cheverus since we opened) do not need to be quarantined as close contacts regardless of vaccination status. This applies to classroom exposures only; unvaccinated individuals who are identified as close contacts outside of the classroom (such as the cafeteria or at Athletic games and practices) will be required to quarantine for 10 days.

Should we have a positive COVID-19 case confirmed with a PCR test we will notify close contacts - both vaccinated and unvaccinated - by email unless they will be required to quarantine, in which case a member of our contact-tracing team will reach out to each family by phone. Please let us know if you have any questions about the details of this letter or any of our [COVID-19 Prevention Protocols](#).

Peace,

John Moran