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Dear Parents and Carers

Queensland Health have today advised that a parent of a student at Villanova College is a confirmed positive case of Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of this student at this time, and we thank them for their cooperation as we continue to work with authorities around this information.

As a result of this confirmed case, the student has been asked to undertake testing and self-isolate as a pre-caution as per Queensland Health guidelines.

I want to stress that the student is self-isolating as a precaution and in the interests of our school community.

I wanted to make this information available to you so that you had accurate information about this matter.

We have been in touch with authorities who advised that at this stage we do not need to take further action at the school level. However, it is important for us all to be alert to our own health and to continue to take protective action.

As such, please monitor the health of your son/s and if they have or develop any flu like symptoms, please:

- Keep your son/s at home;
- Contact your doctor or 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84) immediately to seek further advice about undertaking COVID-19 testing and ask your son to self-isolate until a negative result is obtained.

If your son is at home, please contact the school so that we may discuss any appropriate support for his learning.

For students who continue to attend school, please remind your son/s to:

- Wash their hands regularly with soap and water before and after eating, and after going to the toilet
- Use alcohol based hand sanitiser if soap is unavailable
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or the inside of their elbow
- Dispose of tissues in the bin immediately

Further advice and information about Coronavirus is available on Queensland Health's website <u>HERE</u>.



Our school will continue to follow the advice of our public health authorities in relation to this matter and we are prepared for a range of contingencies should this advice change. I thank you for your support, patience and understanding while we, as a community, deal with the impacts of this virus.

I will provide another update as soon as I have additional information.

Yours sincerely

Mr Mark Stower Principal

