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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I wanted to provide you with information about a case of COVID-19 that has been identified as a student at York Memorial C.I. We continue to work closely with Toronto Public Health (TPH) on this case, which last saw the student in the school on Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021. This student will not return to the school until cleared by TPH to do so. This now brings the total number of active COVID-19 cases in our school to 3. As a result of this case, 14 students within 2 grade 9 classes have been asked to self isolate until further instruction is received from TPH.

As per our procedures, staff and students are required to wear masks while at school and to practice physical distancing, as well as proper hand hygiene — hand washing, sanitizer etc. While enhanced cleaning is conducted every day, we have made sure to conduct an enhanced cleaning in all affected areas of our school. In addition, HEPA air filters are located in all occupied classrooms. TPH is monitoring the situation and, as always, will let us know if further precautions, actions or communications are required.

The health, safety and well-being of staff and students remains our top priority. As you know, one of the most important things we can do to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our schools, is for students and their families to screen themselves daily for any symptoms of COVID-19 using the <a href="Screening for Children and Students">Screening for Children and Students</a> (updated September 1, 2021) or the <a href="TDSB Health">TDSB Health</a> Screening App.

Should you have any questions, please contact the school, visit the <u>TDSB website</u> or visit the <u>TPH website</u> for general information. For general questions, please call the TPH COVID-19 Hotline at 416-338-7600, Monday-Sunday 8:30 AM – 8:00 PM, to speak with an agent. If you need immediate assistance, please call Telehealth Ontario 24 hours a day at 1-866-797-0000.

Sincerely,

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