



## BISHOP BARAGA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

October 21, 2020

Dear Bishop Baraga Families and Staff,

Today I received word from one of our staff members that they have tested positive for COVID-19. Although this has not been confirmed by the Health Department, we have decided that it would be prudent to have the kindergarten class stay home until we are able to work with the Dickinson-Iron Health Department to determine the best course of action. No other classrooms except the kindergarten will be impacted by this development.

We will be working this week with the Health Department to determine if anyone in the kindergarten cohort is considered a close contact of this individual. A close contact is defined as anyone who was within 6 feet for longer than 15 consecutive minutes of someone who tested positive.

I realize that many of our kindergarten students have siblings in other grades. Those siblings can continue to go to school. Even if there are kindergarten students that the Health Department determines are close contacts, siblings would be a secondary contact. They would only be impacted if their kindergarten siblings began to show symptoms.

If your child has any of these symptoms, even if they are mild, please keep them home from school and contact your medical provider.

- Fever
- Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

More information on the symptoms of COVID-19 can be found at [www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/](http://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/) or on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

I will be in contact with our kindergarten families throughout this week. If you have any questions regarding the information in this letter, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,  
Angela Oller