

COVID-19 UPDATE

January 11, 2022

Dear Employees of Mather Place,

We wanted to inform you that we received notice today that **a resident of Mather Place in Wilmette has a confirmed positive case of COVID-19.** We wish them a full recovery.

Mather Place is interviewing this individual to determine if he/she was in close contact with residents and/or employees (meaning within 6 feet of anyone for more than 15 minutes). Individuals who have been in close contact will be notified.

STAY HOME IF YOU ARE ILL:

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the **Omicron variant of COVID-19 appears to be much more contagious than the Delta variant**, and even vaccinated people can spread it. If you have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, or **if you have symptoms—even mild, cold-like symptoms—please stay home.**

Do not come to work, and contact your HR Representative.

INFECTION CONTROL MEASURES:

As many of you know, we continue to follow our protocols and practices regarding infection prevention in Mather Place, including health screening of visitors; enhanced environmental cleaning and disinfection in high-touch areas and amenity spaces; and use of air purifiers in gathering areas.

Other precautions we are taking during this surge include

- Limiting visitors to apartment homes only; amenity areas including restaurants are for resident use only during January.
- Requesting that all visitors wear masks inside the community, including resident apartment homes.
- Moving most programs to virtual rather than in person.
- Spreading out meal service hours to provide more space between residents who are dining.

Please take care and stay well.

Sincerely,

Katrina O'Neill
Executive Director