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To Our Green Chimneys Families,

We have received notification that two individuals on our Brewster campus have tested positive for COVID-19. The first individual was last on campus Wednesday, December 16th and the second one on Friday, December 18th. All staff and students who were in close contact have been notified and are currently isolating.

As a reminder, please note that following the holiday break, all day students will resume classes via remote instruction from January 4th through January 8th. Residential students will return to in-person instruction on January 4th with their designated classroom cohorts.

We are coordinating with the Putnam County Department of Health and are closely monitoring the situation with all individuals on campus. We continue to follow all safety guidelines and have determined, along with the Department of Health that we do not need to suspend in-person instruction at this time.

Parents should continue to monitor their child each day for symptoms of COVID-19, which could include fever, loss of taste or smell, headache, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, sore throat, fatigue, congestion or runny nose, body aches and/or nausea.

If your child develops any symptoms, contact your child's health care provider as soon as possible. **If your child tests positive for COVID-19**, please call the Green Chimneys Health Center at 845.279.2995 ext. 253.

Maintaining best practices for safe social distancing, properly wearing a mask, diligent hand washing and sanitizing are our best defense against exposure. Please stay vigilant in following and enforcing best practices. For information about Green Chimneys' procedures, please see our School Reopening Plan page at www.greenchimneys.org/therapeutic-special-education/parentsfamilies/announcements/school-reopening-plan

We will send any updates or additional information as needed. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 845.279.2995 ext. 100.

Thank you and stay well,

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