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## **FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF YEAR 10 STUDENTS at The Dean Academy**

### **Update – for information only, no action required**

Dear Parent/Carer

On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July we contacted you to inform you that a child in Year 10 had tested positive for COVID-19 using a lateral flow device (LFD). We followed the national guidance and advised all close contacts to self-isolate at home. A confirmatory PCR test for the child has since come back negative. This means we are no longer treating the person as a confirmed case of COVID-19 and their close contacts can end self-isolation. These students will be returning back to school tomorrow.

When someone tests positive for COVID-19 it is so important we take immediate action to prevent spread in our community. I would like to thank you for your support in helping us to do this.

### **What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19**

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, **you should organise for your child to be tested** via the [NHS online portal](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/) or by calling 119. Your household should isolate until you receive the test results and are provided with advice on what to do next.

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature and/or
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Further information about COVID-19 is available at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Yours sincerely,

**Richard Brand**  
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