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Dear P.S. 340 - BRONX at 25 WEST 195 STREET Families:

I'm writing to inform you that following an initial 24 hour closure of our school building, the NYC Test + Trace Corps (T2) and the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) have determined that for the health and safety of our school community, **the building must remain closed through 2/8/2021.**

Below you will find information on next steps. The guidance below reflects the expertise of the DOHMH, T2, and the New York City Department of Education (DOE).

What Happens Now?

- The school building will remain closed through 2/8/2021, and all teaching and learning will continue remotely.
- Anyone with a positive COVID-19 test will not return to the school until they are no longer infectious.
- Close contacts of the person who tested positive have been notified and will continue their 10-day quarantine period. If additional close contacts are identified, they will also be instructed to quarantine for 10 days.
- To help New Yorkers quarantine, the NYC Test + Trace Corps partners with community-based organizations to connect individuals to resources like food, medicine, and health care. To connect with resources, you can call **212-COVID19 (212-268-4319)**.

How Do We Stay Healthy?

Please remember to follow the "Core Four" actions to prevent COVID-19 transmission:

1. **Stay home if sick** (except to get essential medical care, including COVID-19 testing).
2. **Practice social distancing:** Stay at least 6 feet away from people who are not members of your household.
3. **Wear a face covering** to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
4. **Practice healthy hand hygiene:** Wash your hands often or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer; avoid touching your face; and cover your cough or sneeze with your arm, not your hands.

How can I stay updated?

We will continue to closely follow directions from public health experts, and stay in close contact about any measures we are taking. **To ensure we can reach you via text and email, please create a New York City Schools Account (NYCSA) as soon as possible by visiting schools.nyc.gov/nycsa.**

For additional information on COVID-19, visit schools.nyc.gov/coronavirus or call 311.

Sincerely,