Dear Students,

Further to our update on Thursday, March 11, we're pleased to have received confirmation today from KFLA Public Health that a number of floors that had been isolating in place have now been released from their isolation requirements. We're happy that we can share this good news with you and that the isolation requirements for these students have been quite limited in duration (24-48 hours). We appreciate how supportive and understanding everyone has been with respect to these requirements.

We are also confirming that there have been additional positive cases of COVID-19 in Watts Hall and one in Victoria Hall. All students identified are currently isolating in Smith and KFLAPH contact tracing is ongoing.

Because of confirmed cases in residence that are a Variant of Concern (VOC), it's important that you take steps to keep yourself and the residence community safe. KFL&A Public Health has advised all students to stay at home, and to avoid gatherings with others outside their own household. If people need to interact with others they are reminded to use face coverings and follow all current health guidelines. Additionally, in residence, it's essential that you be vigilant about respecting physical distancing and abiding by guest requirements. You may also want to consider, as the weather warms up, opening your window for additional fresh air.

The University has also provided an update about the outbreak in residence.

We know that this situation is evolving quickly and it feels frustrating - we also know that you will continue to show each other care and compassion during these difficult times. Flexibility is available to you with respect to academic requirements; you should not hesitate to request academic consideration from your faculty if needed. If you need support, please reach out to Student Wellness Services to book an appointment with a counsellor or text GOOD2TALKON to 686868.

Thank you for your continued cooperation to ensure your safety and that of the entire residence community.

The Residence Life and Services Team