Dear residence students,

Further to our communications yesterday, KFL&A Public Health has confirmed two additional new positive cases in Victoria Hall. As a result, a COVID-19 outbreak has now been declared, associated with both Chown Hall and Victoria Hall. This outbreak is suspected to involve a Variant of Concern and currently has nine associated cases. Residence isolation protocols are being followed, with positive cases and identified close contacts relocated to Smith House and where appropriate, some floors can continue to isolate in place, pending test results of High Risk Contacts. A number of households will be tested on site today and KFL&APH continue to investigate and conduct contact tracing.

**Residence move-out processes are continuing, in accordance with approved Public Health protocols.** Students proceeding with move-out to complete their isolation period at home are receiving additional information about applicable safety measures. Students unable to move-out as initially scheduled will continue to be supported.

**We reiterate again that it is critical that you do not have contact with anyone outside of your household at this time.** Please stay focused on completing your term and exams successfully and safely move out of residence when your exams have concluded, saying goodbye virtually to friends from outside your household.

We understand this is a stressful time as you complete final academic requirements and this news generates additional concern at an already challenging time. Support is available and we encourage you to access the resources below.

Sincerely,

The Residence Life and Services Team

If you need support, we encourage you to access the resources below:

Mental Health Supports: [Good2Talk](https://good2talk.ca), [Empower Me](https://empowerme.ca), book an appointment with a counsellor at [Student Wellness Services](https://www.studentwellness.queensu.ca)

Physical activity: [Virtual Fitness Programs](https://www.studentwellness.queensu.ca/virtual-fitness), [On-demand workouts](https://www.studentwellness.queensu.ca/ondemand-wellness)

COVID-19 testing: [Student Wellness Services](https://www.studentwellness.queensu.ca), [Kingston Assessment Centre](https://www.studentwellness.queensu.ca/assessmentcentre) (at Beechgrove)

Academic supports: [SASS](https://www.studentwellness.queensu.ca/sass), request academic consideration through your faculty/program website