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MEDIA RELEASE

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Outbreaks Declared Over and Declared – Multiple COVID-19 Cases to Report from Niagara Catholic

Niagara Region Public Health has declared the outbreak at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Elementary School over.

Outbreaks have been declared at Canadian Martyrs and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic elementary schools. In each instance, a second individual with a link to the original case at the school was confirmed by Public Health.

Two cases have been confirmed at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Elementary School and at Loretto Catholic Elementary School. Neither of these school cases meet the criteria for an outbreak as defined by Niagara Region Public Health.

We have also been advised of individual cases at St. Mary Catholic Elementary School in Niagara Falls, Saint Michael Catholic High School, Denis Morris Catholic High School and Notre Dame College School. Following their respective investigations, Public Health has concluded that none of the individuals were in the schools during their infectious periods, meaning there was no risk of infection to the school communities.

The individuals at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Our Lady of Victory and Canadian Martyrs Catholic elementary schools are currently in self-isolation, as are their affected classrooms. The principals of each school have sent a letter to all students and staff to notify them. Board and school staff are working with Niagara Region Public Health and will comply with all requirements.

Affected individuals have received a letter from Niagara Region Public Health through the school. Niagara Catholic advises all contacts to follow all recommendations of Niagara Region Public Health.