

**November 10, 2020**

**North East, Maryland** - NorthBay Education has learned that an individual supporting NorthBay Academy as well as three Academy students recently tested positive for COVID-19. Once the individuals' conditions were known, they immediately ceased contact with the campus. Based on contact tracing, all individuals who came into direct contact with these persons have been notified and immediately ceased contact with the campus until such time that they are able to safely return. This has resulted in 24 students (representing 3 learning cohorts) being subject to a 14 day quarantine. Out of respect for the confidentiality of the persons involved, we cannot release any personal information.

NorthBay continues to place the highest priority on the health, safety, and well-being of our staff, students and community while working diligently to support the education and social needs of students. NorthBay adheres to strict cleaning, social distancing, and hygiene protocols as this is our best defense against COVID-19 and its spread. All decisions that are made are done so with the most up-to-date health guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and State and Local guidelines. To view the complete NorthBay COVID-19 operating protocols please visit:

<https://northbayadventure.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/NorthBay-Academy-Operating-Procedures-2020.pdf>

We always encourage parents to monitor your child for any symptoms of COVID-19. If a student or staff member is sick with any of the following symptoms, stay home: fever, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, muscle aches, fatigue, chills, shaking with chills, loss of smell or taste, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, or headache or congestion or runny nose without a known cause such as allergies.

NorthBay continues providing all Academy services under our COVID operating procedures and limits. As the situation continues to evolve, we will work to keep you updated, including updates on cases that have a direct impact on students and the delivery of services.