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Akron Central School District

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Patrick D. McCabe Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Akron Central School District Community,

The purpose of this brief correspondence is to remind you of the opportunities for students and staff to participate COVID-19 surveillance, proximal and diagnostic testing available through the Erie County Department of Health (ECDOH).

Surveillance and Proximal Testing: This testing began on October 4th and the registration remains open to any student or staff member that would like to participate. Testing is conducted here at ACS. Please click the links below for more information on this program.

- COVID-19 Screening & Proximal Testing 2021-2022.pdf
- ECDOH COVID-19 Testing for Schools: Instructions for Parents 2021-2022
- The process for registration links: <u>COVID-19 Proximal Testing and Surveillance Testing for Schools | Covid</u>

Diagnostic Testing: ECDOH is offering free *ID Now* COVID-19 rapid diagnostic testing for symptomatic Pre-K-12 students and symptomatic school staff who have been excluded from school or work due to illness.

- Parents and school staff may call the ECDOH at (716) 858-2929 to schedule an appointment.
- *ID Now* is a NAAT test that provides results in about 15 minutes, on-site.
- This service is not intended for school staff who are required to show proof of routine COVID-19 testing because they have not documented full COVID-19 vaccination. School staff must bring their school ID to their appointment.

Thank you for your on-going attention to our efforts to maintain a healthy school environment and reduce the number of people impacted by isolation and quarantine orders.

Sincerely,
Patrick D. McCabe
Superintendent of Schools