



Covid-19 Testing Guidance for Parents

As lead nurse for our school district, I would like to clarify some of the mitigation strategies we are using in our school district to control the spread of Covid-19. In addition to 6ft social distancing, face masks, hand hygiene, our district is also following the recommendations from NCDHHS specific to public school attendees which is inclusive of students and staff.

There are two tests currently being used to detect Covid-19, the Rapid Antigen and the Molecular PCR. If a student or staff member is exhibiting even one symptom of Covid and the rapid Antigen test results are negative, the PCR test is required in order to confirm the negative Rapid Antigen prior to returning to school. However if the Rapid Antigen test results are positive, there is no need for a PCR test to confirm follow-up.

Thank you for working with us and being patient as we continue forging plans to provide Rapid Antigen Covid testing to students (with parent consent) and our staff.

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