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Greetings Families,

This Thursday, we will resume the random COVID-19 rapid testing of students and staff.

Even though we remain classified by the state as a Yellow Zone, the [Monroe County Department of Public Health](#) offered an opportunity for schools to voluntarily resume testing and we will test 5% of consenting students and staff each day. This test is the shallow, non-invasive nasal swab test (Abbott BinaxNOW) and testing will occur in a fashion similar to November. Expect more detailed information on Tuesday. As we shared on Friday:

- If you gave consent to test your child in November, you do not need to again. Consent carries over for the rest of the 2020-21 school year.
- If you did NOT consent prior and want to provide that now, we'll send a link to a form on Tuesday.
- If you want to void consent given in November, contact your child's building principal ASAP.
- Testing/consent does not apply to students in our Full Remote Instruction model.

Students without consent will NOT be tested. If your child was tested in November, it is possible he/she may be selected again because this is a random selection. Thank you again for your cooperation.

COVID-19 DAILY UPDATE

The MCDPH today reported 12 new positive cases in our District:

- Seven students at Irondequoit High School
- Two staff members at IHS
- One staff member at Rogers Middle School
- One student at Listwood School
- One student at Briarwood School

MCDPH's contact tracing found that each case was the result of community spread with no close contacts happening in school. Per federal privacy laws, we cannot disclose any more details or personally identifiable information about these or any cases. If you have questions about these, contact tracing and/or quarantining, call the MCDPH COVID-19 Hotline at (585) 753-5555 or email COVID19@monroecounty.gov. For all COVID-related updates/resources, visit the [COVID-19 Information page](#) at the District website.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools