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Powers Catholic High School Antigen Testing Program

Who qualifies: Asymptomatic, unvaccinated students that were exposed in the classroom setting where there is minimal movement and both the COVID positive student and the exposed student were masked.

When: Daily for 7 days following exposure, school days only. The last day of exposure is considered "Day 0".

- *Time:* Students must arrive between 7:30am and 7:40am to allow appropriate time for testing and documentation. If they arrive later than this, they will be marked tardy for the school day.
- *Location:* The Band Room

Testing: Binax Now Rapid Antigen Tests. This test is performed via a nasal swab that the student collects themselves.

Consent: Parent consent is required prior to testing. An online consent form will be sent to parents. The consent is valid for the remainder of the 2021-2022 academic year. If, at any point, parents would no longer like their child to participate in the program, written notification is required

Procedure:

1. When close contacts of a COVID-19 positive student are identified who are eligible for the daily testing option, parents will be notified this is an option.
2. **Any student who is showing any symptoms of COVID-19 should isolate at home and contact their physician to be tested. They should NOT come to school for testing.**
3. Parents who chose to have their child participate in the daily testing program should complete the required consent form and ensure their child is at school between 7:30am and 7:40am on those days. **Any student who arrives after 7:40am will be considered tardy for the day.**
4. If the student does NOT drive themselves, the parent must wait in the car for the results before leaving.
5. Students must bring their school issued student ID with them each day of testing.
6. Students being tested are required to wear a mask when they enter the building.
7. A staff member will check the student in and ensure they are eligible for testing.
8. A staff member will ensure the student has parental consent on file for testing.
9. The student will be directed on the proper technique to collect their sample.
10. After the sample is properly collected, the student will be directed to a waiting area where they will be socially distanced.
11. The test result will be available in 15 minutes. The trained staff member will interpret the results and notify the student of the results in a private manner.
12. If the result is negative, the student will be admitted into school for the day.
13. In the event of a positive result, the student will be sent home for the day and the Genesee County Health Department will be notified of the positive case. Powers will



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conduct contact tracing, per the health department guidelines. It is recommended for the student to follow up with a PCR test within 48 hours to verify the rapid antigen test result. In the event that the PCR test comes back negative, the PCR test result will be accepted.

14. Specimens will be disposed of in a biohazard bag.
15. Results are recorded according to the MDHHS school antigen testing protocol.

Other considerations

If any time, your student exhibits ANY symptoms of COVID-19, please keep them home and have them PCR tested.

Please note that daily testing availability is based on the amount of tests the school receives from the state. If, at any point, we run out of testing kits, this will no longer be an option and the other 2 quarantine options will be utilized until more testing kits are available.

Saturday testing: If available, this will be arranged by the athletic department.

Close Contacts Identified During the School Day: If a close contact of a school COVID positive case is eligible for testing and is identified during the school day, the option will be given for the student to receive a test during the school day if a parental consent is on file. If it's negative, they will be able to remain in school and continue with the required daily testing through day 7.