SAFER SMARTER SCHOOLS — GET TESTED. GET PROTECTED. GET BACK TO WHAT YOU LOVE.

PARENT LETTER

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Dear parents,

Keeping our students and staff safe and in school or work is our top priority. For the 2021-22 school year, Jefferson Parish Schools is offering a voluntary, COVID-19 testing program on every school campus to help keep our school community safe. Through this program, we will offer rapid molecular COVID-19 testing available at no cost to teachers, staff, and students. This program has two components:

- Symptomatic testing for students and staff who show symptoms of COVID-19 at school or work, and
- Routine COVID safety checks, also known as asymptomatic testing, to prevent the spread of the virus undetected among students and staff who are not showing symptoms.

Testing is not required, but highly encouraged to keep our school community safe. The test is performed with a quick and gentle nasal swab collected by the school nurse or a trained certified nursing assistant. Results of the test are sent within 24 hours to the parent/guardian by email or text.

Students will not be tested without permission from a parent or guardian. Please click the link below or type link into browser to access the electronic registration and consent form which must be completed in advance if you wish for your child to participate. You only need to register each child once. Testing is completely free and includes an optional incentive for every test your child takes.

https://home.color.com/covid/sign-up/start?partner=ldh-con-565-students

It is important to Jefferson Parish Schools that you are fully informed regarding the process. Please remember that the current CDC and LDH guidelines must be implemented if your child exhibits symptoms and/or tests positive.

If you have any questions or concerns, please visit the website https://ldh.la.gov/safer-smarter-schools.

Thank you in advance for your participation and your commitment to keeping our school community safe and healthy.

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SCHOOL NURSE