Important Message Regarding COVID-19 Testing

<u>Patricia Kelley</u> • 19 days ago • Friday, Jan 7 at 4:30 PM • Lincoln Unified School District Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are closely monitoring the data and information related to COVID-19 across the state and in our community. As our state and local case rates continue to increase, we are aware of many students, staff and their families impacted by COVID illness and exposure. We have finally received the antigen test kits from the California Department of Education and are developing a plan for distribution of these kits to each student within the next week. We will share details as soon as they are confirmed.

We continue to have testing sites in our district as follows:

Beverly Holt Boardroom

(Available to students, staff and members of their household) 6225 Harrisburg, Stockton Thursdays from 7:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

2016 Paloma Way, Stockton

(Available to all) Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Tuesdays and Wednesdays 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

If your student is exposed at school and is eligible for Modified Quarantine, we will provide you with a saliva test kit for use at home.

The guidance regarding isolation and quarantine is ever-changing, and there have been many adjustments already, even since the end of December. Our nursing staff is being kept up to date on the changes as they occur and are implementing the latest guidance as they work with families. Once the California Department of Public Health issues a final adjustment to the school guidance, we will share the information with parents.

Our goal continues to be safe learning environments for all of our students and staff. We will be holding additional vaccine clinics in the coming months, and these clinics will offer both vaccines and boosters to those eligible. We will share this information as soon as dates and locations are confirmed.

We have also learned today that the Governor has promised to provide more personal protective equipment (PPE) to school communities, most urgently, a delivery of N95 masks. We will receive these masks in both adult and youth sizes. We do not yet have delivery dates on these items but anticipate receiving them soon.

Thank you for your partnership and for all you are doing to help limit the spread of COVID-19. If you have questions or are in need of more information, please reach out to your child's school principal.

Thank you, Kelly Dextraze Superintendent