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Dear Seaford Parents and Guardians,

The COVID-19 home testing kits have arrived and through a collaborative effort among staff and administrators we will begin distributing kits tomorrow, January 4th, between 4 p.m.-7 p.m. and Wednesday, January 5th, also between 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. at Seaford High School. One kit is available for each student. To receive a kit for each child who attends Seaford Schools, you must submit a request using this link: [Home Test Kit Signup](#). The person picking up test kits must be a parent; kits will not be distributed to students.

We are trying to distribute as many kits as quickly as possible. Administrators and staff are working late to assist with this process. Please be patient and follow these procedures:

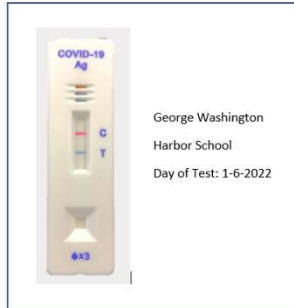
- Arrive during your scheduled time slot.
- Follow the directions of our security guards and staff.
- Have your ID ready to show the staff member assigned to check ID. Your ID must match the name of a parent/guardian listed in Infinite Campus. Parents will not be permitted to pick up kits for another student's family.
- Tell the staff member the last name of your child(ren) which will determine how many kits you receive. **We can only give kits for K-12 students who attend Seaford Schools.** Unfortunately, we were not provided with a supply for other household members.

It is important to note that testing an asymptomatic child who has not been exposed to COVID-19 could result in a false-positive that requires a 10-day isolation unless a negative PCR result is provided. Understanding how difficult it is to receive a timely PCR test/result, families can save the testing kit for future use should a child become symptomatic or be exposed to the virus. There are two tests in each kit intended to be used over a few days and for students of the Seaford School District only. Please note that the expiration dates on the kits reads January 31, 2022; however, the FDA has approved a 90-day extension of the tests, and rapid tests that normally would have expired on January 31 can be used until the end of April.

The Governor has acknowledged that much of this initiative is based on the honor system. We are grateful for the additional resource that will eliminate the need for parents to bring sick children out of their homes for testing. The District will accept home-test results for isolation/quarantine

decisions. Should your child test positive using a home test, please be sure to take a picture of your child's positive test result and email it to our Covid Coordinator, Lorraine Burke: lburke@seaford.k12.ny.us. In addition, please include in this photo your child's full name, school, and the date of the test. Also, kindly continue to contact your building principal regarding a positive test result.

Sample photo:



Lastly, uncertain of how many students may test positive or be quarantined over the next few weeks, we ask for your patience. It may take up to 48 hours to arrange instructional plans. Our teachers and administrators are arduously working to assure a student's academic well-being is not adversely affected by a required quarantine/isolation. The District will continue to provide resources to support students who are returning from absences.

Wishing you all health and happiness in the New Year!

Very truly yours,

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