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Dear Lake Shore Parents/Guardians:

With new school testing guidelines now in effect for schools for returning to in-person hybrid instruction in Orange and Red zones, Lake Shore Central Schools will **implement procedures to return to in-person hybrid instruction on Tuesday, Dec. 15th.**

Because our region is in an Orange Zone, **in order to return to in-person hybrid instruction we must test 20% of in-person students, faculty and staff for COVID-19 over a one-month period.** This letter is to notify you of the appointment procedure if you consent for your child(ren) to be tested.

Lake Shore Central Schools will conduct testing from noon to 6 p.m. at the Middle School, 8855 Erie Road, Angola, on:
FRIDAY, Dec. 11
MONDAY, Dec. 14
MONDAY, Dec. 21

If you are consenting to have your child tested, please go to <https://signup.com/go/mTpWSrj> to sign up for a time slot on ONE of those dates. You can schedule more than 1 child per time slot. If you consent but have not yet returned your consent form, please bring it to your appointment.

Things to know before your appointment:

- * Arrive at least 10 minutes early.
- * MASKS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES for the accompanying adult(s) and children
- * Adults accompanying K-8 children must bring your photo ID. High School students may use their Student ID.
- * All testing will be conducted by trained nurses using the BinaxNOW rapid test, which is a minimally invasive nostril swab.
- * Parent/guardians are welcome to be present during the test administration

If test results are positive, you will be notified within 24 hours. If test results are negative, you will be notified by mail within three business days.

Please note, the guidelines have been revised because schools have been deemed safe. Schools have shown a much lower COVID-19 transmission rate than the community at large, especially when faculty, staff and students follow the recommended virus mitigation strategies.

The number of students, faculty and staff tested must be proportionately spread across the month with a maximum/minimum of 10% tested biweekly. If the testing sample generates nine or more positive cases in any school, that school will be required to return to full remote instruction.

We know that in-person instruction is best for our students, academically, socially and emotionally, but our ability to return to in-person hybrid instruction and stay in in-person hybrid instruction – depends on our following the testing protocols, as well as continuing the daily screening procedure, wearing masks at all times, and maintaining six feet of social distance.

I appreciate your continued support as we work through these unprecedented times. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact your building principal.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Galluzzo

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