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Dear OLSS Families,

In an attempt to lessen the burden on families and the healthcare system related to the uptick in illness. We are happy to announce, the option of home COVID testing when students develop symptoms. COVID testing at school will continue to be available. Please read the current Home COVID testing protocol in its entirety.

If students develop **ANY ONE of:** New onset cough, Shortness of breath, fever over 100, or loss of taste or smell **OR any 2 of the following:** Headache, sore throat, runny nose/congestion, body aches, chills, diarrhea/nausea/vomiting, **2 COVID tests** will need to be completed to return to school. One test can be completed at onset of symptoms, and the 2nd COVID test **MUST** be completed 24-48 hours after symptom onset.

Parents **MUST** date each test and send picture results to schoolnurse@olsss.org.

Students may return once negative test results are obtained by the school nurse and once fever, vomiting, diarrhea free for 24 hours without the use of medications.

Parents may still access the school COVID testing program if you do not have access to home tests. We will send a free home COVID test kit for future use, if your student utilizes the school testing program.

***Please note:** Students who are out for 3 or more days **MUST have a doctor's note** prior to return for health-related absences per ADW policy as stated in your OLSS School Handbook (page 5).

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out for clarification.

Thank you,

Brandi Hutchins, OLSS School Nurse