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Dear Tonawanda City School District Students, Staff and Families:

Please continue to be safe and healthy during this challenging time. We are proud to continue to deliver instruction to our students in a sanitized and safe learning environment.

Today we completed our required random COIVD-19 rapid testing for January. We had an incredibly successful month in administering our plan, procedures, and testing protocols. This process was safe, efficient, and effective.

For January, we tested 321 people and returned one (1) positive case. This is a COVID positive rate of only 0.31% (less than 1%).

Our next round of random testing will begin next month, as per the requirements in the new NYSDOH guidance. Your willingness to consent and participate in this testing process supports our efforts to continue to offer an in-person hybrid instructional model.

Soon we will be conducting the random selection for February. Each month we are required to randomly select and test 20% of each building's population, as per the Orange Zone designation requirements from the Governor's Micro Cluster Strategy. People may be selected to be tested more than once in this random selection of the population each month.

If you are selected to be tested in the future, please consider consenting to this simple procedure.

Thank you for your continued support and patience with our district. Please continue to take necessary precautions and continue with recommended healthy actions to prevent the potential spread of COVID-19 in your homes and in our schools. Go Warriors!

Sincerely,

Timothy A. Oldenburg, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools

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