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Mr. Michael Hammer, Superintendent of Schools mhammer@rsu19.net

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Hello,

You may be aware that At-Home Coronavirus tests like Ellume, Pixel and Binax are able to be purchased online and in some drug stores, CVS and Rite Aid to name a couple.

These At-Home Coronavirus tests may help decrease the community spread of disease from asymptomatic household members by providing a reasonable level of accuracy about the presence of Coronavirus.

Per Maine CDC and Maine DOE, these tests are unable to be used for verification of a LACK of disease presence for the purpose of attending school.

These At-Home Coronavirus tests are an early alert system that provide enough information for families to recognize the need to remain a home and to quarantine until they are able to schedule another test with their PCP, Walgreen's, or Northern Light Drive-Through test sites.

If you have questions regarding the use of the At-Home Coronavirus tests, or other questions or concerns about Coronavirus and school, please contact your child's school nurse.

Thank you,

Michael Hammer, Superintendent