

Westfield Academy and Central School

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Dear WACS Families:

I am hopeful you have been able to enjoy yourselves during this holiday season.

Governor Hochul and State Health Commissioner Bassett have identified a statewide goal of having students tested for COVID as they return to school following our winter break.

The State will be providing rapid testing kits to every student. It is our understanding that these kits are not mandatory in order for your child to attend school. Therefore, it is considered voluntary. However, our State is encouraging participation by as many students and families as possible.

The Governor has asked school districts, with the assistance of Erie 2 BOCES, to be responsible for distributing these test kits to families.

Here are details regarding the process:

- Every child is eligible to receive one testing kit.
- Kits will be available for parents/guardians to pick up on Monday, January 3rd from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. in the parent pick up loop of the secondary school.
- If you are unable to pick up a testing kit during this timeframe, please contact the main office of your child's building by 11:00 a.m. on January 4th to provide permission for a kit to be sent home with your child on Tuesday, January 4th.

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- If you are not interested in receiving a test kit, there is no need for you to contact the office or pick up a test kit.

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What if my child tests positive?

Please keep your child home
& contact our Nursing Office.

Please be prepared with the following information:

Child's Name
Child's Birthdate
Date of test
Is your child symptomatic?
Date of 1st onset of symptoms

We will continue to use our text messaging system and website to share details as they become available. Thank you for your continued partnership as we work through this process.

Sincerely,



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