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Team Kenton to include our extended family,

The Northern Kentucky Health Department and the Kentucky Department of Public Health has classified Kenton County as being in the “critical” phase of the data dashboard, which is at least 25 cases per 100,000 people. The Kenton County School District has now implemented a school board approved COVID-19 testing program. This communication is a reminder that testing will be administered the week of November 2nd. The testing program is utilized to measure potential spread in our local schools and data from testing will be utilized to make individual school and program decisions based on the District Dashboard instead of closing all district schools and programs.

It is important to note that students and staff had the opportunity to “opt-out” of the testing program as the program is voluntary with no consequences for not participating. The district reviews data every Friday morning to determine what steps should occur for the following week and it was determined to randomly select 10 % of the school population of in-person students and staff to be tested this week. If your student is selected for a COVID-19 test, a letter will be sent home with more information.

Students and staff selected will be tested by a trained school staff member or self-administered by the use of a non-invasive swab in the nostrils. Test results will be received within 24 hours by the Director of Health Services. The tests are being sent to Advance Diagnostic and you will only be notified if there is a positive result. Positive results will be communicated to the family, local health department and appropriate personnel while maintaining maximum confidentiality. The district will not communicate negative results. If you have any questions please contact your school. Thank you for your support as we work together during this pandemic.

Sincerely,

Henry Webb, Ed.D

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