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Dear Parents/Guardians/Faculty/Staff:

Below is some important information regarding COVID testing at Tully Schools:

- As of Thursday, September 30th we have had seven (7) members of our school community test positive for COVID, and 27 members of our school community placed into quarantine. Compared to other school district in the area, these are very low numbers.
- Tully Schools is partnering with the Onondaga County Health Department to offer ongoing surveillance testing for COVID-19. At this time approximately 30 members of our school community have agreed to participate in this testing process.
- We are also able to conduct diagnostic COVID testing for students, faculty and staff who
 develop COVID-like symptoms during the school day. For many members of our school
 community, this school based diagnostic COVID testing may prove to be very convenient.
- Both surveillance and diagnostic COVID tests are administered by our school nurses. Typically test results will be available within 24-48 hours.
- Parents/guardians who wish to have their students participate in either surveillance or diagnostic
 testing must complete a COVID testing consent form. This consent form covers testing for the
 entire 2021-22 school year. Completed consent forms should be returned to the appropriate
 school nurse's office. Here is a link to this form: <u>COVID Testing Consent Form</u>
- Along with completing this consent form, those participating in this testing must create a
 personal account with Quadrant Laboratories. COVID testing results will be communicated via
 this personal account. Here is a link to the Quadrant Laboratories website where you can create
 an account: Quadrant Registration Portal

We had a terrific start to the 2021-22 school year! It is wonderful having all of our students back with us for full-time, in-person instruction. Enjoy the weekend.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Hughes
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Superintendent of Schools