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Dear Parents/Guardians/Faculty/Staff:

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

- Tully Schools is partnering with the Onondaga County Health Department to offer ongoing surveillance testing for COVID-19. This surveillance testing begins next week. At this time 30 members of our school community have agreed to participate in this testing process. Here is a link to the NYSDOH document that outlines this mandate: <u>COVID Testing Mandate</u>
- Additionally, we will be able to conduct diagnostic COVID testing for students, faculty and staff who develop COVID-like symptoms during the school day.
- 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: <u>Quadrant Registration Portal</u>
- At this time 92% of our faculty/staff are fully vaccinated. Faculty/staff who are not fully vaccinated will be tested for COVID on a weekly basis by the school district.
- Beginning next week we will resume reporting school related COVID cases to the NYSDOH. Here is a link to the website where you can find this data: <u>COVID-19 School Report Cards</u>
- As an FYI here are two links where you can find additional options for getting a COVID test: <u>Onondaga County COVID Testing Information</u>, <u>NYS COVID Testing Information</u>

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** Robert J. Hughes Superintendent of Schools