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Dear Parents,

In an effort to support the health, safety and well-being of Notre Dame students, faculty and staff, we shall now accept evidence of a negative COVID-19 test (as described below) as an alternative to the required 10-day quarantine following travel to any location outside the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The negative COVID-19 test result must be from a PCR test using a specimen collected within 72 hours prior to entering the Commonwealth following travel out of state or collected during the 10-day travel quarantine period. We shall not accept the results of an antigen test, also known as a "rapid test." Before a return to campus can be approved, negative test results must be submitted confidentially to Mrs. Jennifer McCulloch (jmcculloch@ndapa.org), along with the dates of travel and return to PA.

This modification is consistent with the Order of the Pennsylvania Department of Health for Mitigation Relating to Travel, as amended on December 9, 2020, and is being made in accordance with current legal and medical guidance to the Academy. We chose to implement this modification based on a consideration of local positivity rates (as we are approximately six weeks post-holidays), the progression of vaccine availability/distribution and the increased availability of PCR tests/timely test results. This modification takes effect immediately.

Should you have questions, please refer them to Jennifer McCulloch at jmcculloch@ndapa.org.

Sincerely,

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