

Sunday, Sept. 12, 2021

Dear parents and guardians,

As the Davis School District and Davis County Health Department continue to monitor the number of students who are contracting COVID-19, both entities will adhere to protocols established by the Utah State Legislature. In accordance with House Bill 1007 passed during the 2021 Utah Special Legislative Session, if a school hits a COVID-19 outbreak threshold of 2 percent of students and staff for a school of more than 1,500, or 30 students and staff for a school of 1,500 or less, the school will conduct a Test to Stay event and test students and staff for the virus.

The following protocols will be adhered to during that event:

- Parents must give their approval for their child to be tested.
- Those who test positive will return home and be placed in isolation.
- Those who test negative may return to school.

• Students not tested will not be allowed to attend school and will be placed in quarantine for 10 days. However, the student can return to school if they show evidence of a negative COVID-19 test from their physician or testing site.

As stated above, in order for these protocols to work, the first and most important step is to provide approval for your child to be tested. That approval can be given by accessing an online form through myDSD entitled "COVID-19 Diagnostic Test Consent Form." (That form can be accessed beginning at 8 a.m. Monday, Sept. 13.)

If a Test to Stay Event is scheduled in your child's school, you will be notified the day prior to the test occurring.

In a junior high or high school, school nurses will conduct the testing during school. If such an event is scheduled in an elementary school, you will be given the option to have your child tested in your presence or without you being present. Testing in elementary schools will also be conducted before, during and after school. In a related note, the accompanying "At A Glance Test to Stay" document has been created to provide you the same protocols in an easy-to-understand graphic layout.

We appreciate your support,

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