

COVID-19 PCR Saliva Testing Consent

In furtherance of maintaining the health and safety of students and staff, Morristown Beard School ("MBS") will conduct pooled COVID-19 testing.

The test will be a PCR saliva test which will be self-administered by the student at home using the testing kit. The saliva sample will then be provided to MBS. While MBS will be collecting the saliva samples from students, the samples will be tested off-campus by Mirimus Labs in pools of 24. Students and parents/guardians will only be notified if the student's pool tests positive. In the event the student is part of a pool that tests positive, the student must quarantine immediately and move to distance learning until Mirimus identifies the individual who has tested positive (typically within 24 hours). At that point, MBS will engage in contact tracing in cooperation with the Board of Health and the student and their identified unvaccinated close contacts will be asked to quarantine in accordance with the School's policies and guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and the State of New Jersey.

By permitting the student to return to on-campus instruction and/or extracurricular activities, after Winter Break, parents/guardians indicate their consent to allow their child to participate in the COVID-19 testing. Parents/guardians understand that their child's results will be communicated directly to them by the third party physician working on behalf of Mirimus. Parents/guardians agree to communicate these results promptly to Bridget Marcato, School Nurse. Parents/guardians further understand that MBS is not conducting the testing but is instead collecting samples to be tested by Mirimus Labs, therefore MBS makes no representations as to the accuracy or reliability of the COVID-19 testing.

By participating in the COVID-19 testing, parents/guardians release MBS, its employees, representatives, and agents from any and all claims arising out of or related to participation in the COVID-19 testing, except that this release is not intended to release any third parties of any responsibility for any claims that may otherwise be asserted.

If a parent/guardian elects not to permit their child to participate in the COVID-19 PCR testing provided by MBS, the parent/guardian will be required to provide MBS with proof of the student's negative PCR COVID-19 test within 24 hours of our testing window. In the event the parent/guardian elects not to participate in the COVID-19 PCR testing provided by MBS, the parent/guardian should contact Bridget Marcato no later than December 16.