

CENTRAL SQUARE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mr. Thomas J. Colabufo Superintendent

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Topic: At-Home COVID-19 Tests and Positive Results

Dear Parents/Guardians,

If anyone in your household tests positive for COVID-19 using an at-home COVID-19 test, **please submit ONLY positive results** in the At-Home Testing Submission Portal (below), depending on whether you reside in Oswego County or Onondaga County because the submission portals are different.

If you reside in Onondaga County, you will submit the positive COVID-19 result(s) for you and/or your COVID-19 positive family members using the Onondaga County at-home COVID-19 test submission portal, seen here: https://covid19.ongov.net/at-home-covid-test-results-screen/. In addition, please inform your child's school nurse of the positive at-home COVID-19 test result, and isolate the positive person to the best of your ability at home.

If you reside in Oswego County, the Oswego County Health Department is currently creating their submission portal for families to submit their positive cases. Until the Oswego County Health Department finalizes their electronic submission portal for at-home COVID-19 positive test results, they are asking the Oswego County school districts to inform our parents/guardians that reside in Oswego County to contact and inform their child's school nurse that the student has tested positive using an at-home COVID-19 test. The nurse and our COVID Coordinator will schedule the person with the positive at-home COVID-19 result for a laboratory based PCR COVID-19 test in Oswego County. If that PCR test is a laboratory confirmed positive COVID-19 result, it would then generate a positive COVID-19 case and be uploaded into the State's required reporting system. The person testing positive would then have COVID-19 immunity for the next 90 days and would not be quarantined for that 90 day period. The school nurse will then explain the NYSDOH quarantine and isolation protocols to the parent/guardian, and our COVID Coordinator will inform the local health department of the positive COVID-19 result(s).

Regardless of the County you reside in, if you have a family member in the same household that tests positive on a laboratory COVID-19 test or on an at-home COVID-19 test, please immediately isolate the positive person to the best of your ability in your home. If a family member living in that household is fully vaccinated (two weeks have gone by since the second Pfizer or Moderna shot or the lone Johnson & Johnson shot) and the fully vaccinated person is exhibiting NO COVID-19 symptoms, then that person is not quarantined and can assume normal activities. The NYSDOH does recommend that the fully vaccinated person still get a COVID-19 test 3-5 days after their last exposure to the positive person.

Sincerely,

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