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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Providence Public School District (PPSD) will continue offering COVID-19 testing at your child's school as part of our efforts to address the coronavirus.

Based on current public health conditions, PPSD will provide asymptomatic testing during the first four weeks of school, after school vacations, and when Providence County is identified as being in "high transmission" by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Testing will be available to all students and staff at your child's school. During these periods, the district aims to offer testing once per week, depending on the availability of supplies.

Additionally, if your child displays symptoms while at school, school nurses will be able to conduct symptomatic testing in order to expedite the testing timeline for students.

Based on current supplies, tests will be performed using a rapid antigen test. For each test, your child will receive a nasal swab. Parents will receive a phone call if a child tests positive.

School administrators will have access to the results of the BinaxNOW and PCR tests. If you have any questions about testing through this program, please reach out to your child's school. You, as the parent/guardian, or your child can decline testing at any point.

PPSD needs your permission in order for your student to participate in this testing program. **Sign and return this form when the school year begins this fall if you would like your child to participate in COVID-19 testing. If you already submitted a consent for a previous school year you do not need to submit a new consent form.**

Student's Name: _____

Student's School: _____

Student's Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian's Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian's Email: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Thank you for your support in our efforts to expand prevention, detection, and testing of COVID-19 in our state and within our schools.