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LPS Staff and Families,

We wanted to take a moment to provide you with a brief update as we have now moved into November. Below you will find several updates as it relates to Covid-19 and our *Return to Learn* plans.

- At the Tuesday morning, November 3, 2020, regular study session meeting, our Board of Education was provided with an executive summary related to our ongoing data analysis from the most recent *Return to Learn* stakeholder surveys offered last month. This information can be accessed by clicking here.
- As we look ahead to the second semester in LPS, work continues toward exploring various options in an effort to provide as many face-to-face opportunities for our learners as possible, while remaining committed to keeping our students and staff in safe and healthy learning environments. Be looking for additional *Return to Learn* information in early-mid December.
- It was announced last week by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education that shipments of Covid-19 antigen test kits would be distributed to school districts across the state. In LPS, our Covid-19 Response Team is making plans to offer these tests to our students and staff. Details of the plan, including test site location, staffing, and other logistics are currently being made, and will be announced in the coming weeks. We expect this testing opportunity to be made available shortly following the Thanksgiving break.

The Clay County Public Health Center has also provided information regarding additional testing opportunities for Clay County residents:

- Beginning earlier this week, there are now additional pop-up testing events in various cities/locations throughout the county. Through a partnership with Heart to Heart International, they are able to offer free COVID testing in more areas of our county than just Liberty. There will be one event per day, six days a week for the next 10 weeks. Upcoming events will be listed on their website and by clicking here.
- Starting the first week of November, Covid-19 testing through CCPHC will take place at their new secondary location: CCPHC – Hospital Valley (556 Rush Creek Parkway, Liberty MO 64068). The plan is to offer testing with no appointment needed and expanded hours.

As always, thank you for your continued support, patience, and flexibility as we navigate through this unique time. Have a great remainder of the week, and upcoming weekend!

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