

Greetings Carver Early College Families:

As we prepare for the 2021-2022 school year, it is important that we remain committed to the health and safety of our students. We have made tremendous strides in minimizing the impact of COVID-19 in our community, however, we know that the virus has not yet been defeated. In an ongoing effort to mitigate COVID-19 in our schools and community, Atlanta Public Schools (APS) will continue to implement screening protocols and surveillance testing in our schools as part of our Comprehensive COVID-19 Prevention Strategies.

### **HealthCheck Screener**

Parents are asked to respond to the five daily health screening questions quickly and easily before your student reports to school. These questions will help you assess if the student has had exposure to COVID-19, has experienced any potential symptoms or illnesses, and if they have been advised to quarantine. The answers of this questionnaire will determine if the child should attend school or not. Learn more about the HealthCheck Screener on our webpage here: <https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/>

### **Surveillance Testing**

Surveillance testing on a weekly basis will continue to be offered in our schools for students. As you will recall, this rapid test detects the presence of COVID-19 even in individuals who may be asymptomatic. The benefits of surveillance testing include allowing APS to test, receive test results (within 24 hours) and notify individuals of a clinically significant reading before coming to school or work. E-Consent forms are now available and need to only be completed once to allow testing for the school year.

Keeping our students and staff safe is our top priority. Implementing comprehensive testing strategies is one way we continue to minimize any exposure to COVID-19 in our schools.

For more information and updates on the District's health and mitigation strategies, visit [www.atlantapublicschools.us/APSProtects](http://www.atlantapublicschools.us/APSProtects). To access more back to school update, visit [www.atlantapublicschools.us/backtoschool](http://www.atlantapublicschools.us/backtoschool).

Sincerely,



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