## **Frewsburg Central School District**

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## Dear Frewsburg Families;

I am writing to you with information regarding *voluntary* screening testing of students. All schools must *offer* screening testing to 10% of its students on a weekly basis in geographic areas identified as having moderate, substantial, or high transmission rates. Chautauqua County is currently classified as an area of high transmission.

The Chautauqua County Department of Health has partnered with districts and has provided schools with this surveillance testing and the ability to use Quadrant Biosciences. The County is also paying for a nurse to assist in the collection of testing.

Testing will take place weekly at your child's school on **Tuesdays**. Each week, 10% of the student body who has a profile in the Quadrant system and a consent filed with the district will be tested. The testing will be a saliva test which your child will self-administer under the direction of the nurse. This type of Screening Testing is referred to as "Routine Pooled Testing" and involves mixing several saliva samples together in a batch or pooled sample and then testing the pooled sample with a diagnostic test. This approach allows an increased number of individuals that can be tested using the same amount of resources. After a positive pool is detected, the lab will conduct "Reflex Testing" (individual) testing to identify the positive case(s).

This test involves a very simple and painless saliva swab that the student can easily self-administer. For a short video please see <a href="https://vimeo.com/586954444/1f4e67b112">https://vimeo.com/586954444/1f4e67b112</a> (for an active link, please visit www.frewsburgcd.org).

Once all samples have been collected for the day, we will send them off to Quadrant's lab to be analyzed. Results will be returned within 24-48 hours and will be available for you to view by logging into the website at <a href="mailto:app.Clarifi-COVID-19.com">app.Clarifi-COVID-19.com</a>. You will receive an email indicating that results have been received.

Should you wish your child to participate in this screening testing, please see the following section for what to do. Again, this testing is **voluntary** and is being provided as another safety measure. Should you wish your child to participate in this screening testing, please see the following section on how to create an account to enroll your child in testing. If you are not interested in having your child participate, do nothing. Rest assured that your child will not be tested without an account and without a signed consent form.

The health and safety of our children and adults is very important to us. We greatly appreciate your support during these challenging times.

Sincerely,

Shelly O'Boyle Superintendent

## What Do I Need To Do If I Want My Child Tested?

- 1. Go to the following site, create a profile for your family, and register all your children under this main account.
  - app.Clarifi-COVID-19.com
- 2. Please sign and return the attached consent form.

For active links, please see our website frewsburgcsd.org or Facebook @frewsburgcsd.org