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Necessary adjustment of the lollipop testing system in elementary schools.

Dear parents and guardians of Hermann School,

as you have certainly already learned from the media, an adjustment of the Lolli testing system at the elementary schools is taking place.

This adjustment was made by the Ministry because the laboratories can no longer keep up with the evaluations due to the steadily increasing positive rate.

For elementary schools, this means the following:

Elementary schools will continue to test all children in the school twice a week with a PCR pool test. Beginning next week, Jan. 31, 2022, all Hermann School students will be tested on **Monday** and **Wednesday**.

The labs will provide the results submission of the pool samples to me as the school principal by 8:30 pm. I will then inform the appropriate classroom teacher in the event of a positive pool, who will then approach you as parents and guardians.

Previously, you were also informed about the lab by mail - this process will be eliminated as of today.

For pool testing at school, individual testing/reset sampling of students will be eliminated, meaning that only one pool from each learning group will be sent to the lab in the morning of class and no additional individual tests will be taken.

If a pool result is negative, all children come to school as usual the next day and no further arrangements are made.

Procedure for a positive pool:

If we have a <u>positive pool</u> from a class/learning group, you will be notified by the classroom teacher that evening.

Your child will then also come to school the following day. A prerequisite for attendance is that each child must have a negative rapid test. This can either be done by you as a parent through an official testing site, in which case you will send us your child's negative test result IMMEDIATELY by email to hermannschule@stadt-muenster.de AND give the issued forumlar of the negative result to your child to take to school so that the class or subject teacher can collect it.

Children who have not been tested by you at an official testing site will be tested at school with a rapid antigen test ("booger test").

If this result is negative, your child will be able to participate in the face-to-face classes. If the rapid test is positive, your child will be immediately isolated from the study group/class, we will then contact you and subsequently inform the Health Department. You must pick up your child IMMEDIATELY and your child must go directly to home isolation. Therefore, it is IMPORTANT that we are ALWAYS able to reach you.

If your contact information has changed, e.g. cell phone number, landline, etc., may we ask that you email this change to us at hermannschule@stadt-muenster.de in a timely manner.

Thank you ☺

The control test of a positive rapid test is then carried out outside the school system by a testing center. At least one rapid corona test (§13 Corona Test / Quarantine Ordinance) must be carried out.

If this rapid test is positive, the tested child is considered infected according to current regulations and may only be cleared after 7 days by a rapid corona test at an OFFICIAL TESTING CENTER or a PCR test. The free testing will also be done outside of the school system. Please send this result back to us at the above mail address.

For more information, please refer to the School Department

https://www.schulministerium.nrw/presse/pressemitteilungen/lolli-pcr-testverfahren-grundschulen-wird-veraendert-25-01-2022

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact us at any time! Stay confident,

best regards from the Hermann School,

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Judith Lüttikhuis

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