



Moorside High School

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15th June 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Subject: COVID-19 Testing at Moorside High School

Salford's COVID-19 cases are increasing and we have seen an increase in cases in school. Salford's Public Health service supports schools and communities on reducing rates and onward transmission. They have recommended 'whole-school' testing; testing all pupils, family members and staff over the coming week.

A PCR COVID-19 test centre will be set up on the school site. The tests will be carried out by trained staff and involve a swab of your child's nose and throat. Please complete the consent for your child to be tested. Those exempt from the programme are individuals that have had a **positive PCR test in the last 90 days** in line with national guidance.

If you or any other family member are feeling unwell with any type of symptom/s, Salford Public Health are advising you book a COVID test via the national portal as it could be COVID-19 <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>. When booking, choose the option "My local council has asked me to get a test".

If you or a member of family has a positive COVID-19 test, then you and all the household members will be required to isolate for 10 days. If you need to isolate and need support to do this, you can call the Spirit of Salford Helpline on 0800 952 1000 Monday to Friday 8.30am to 6pm and Saturday 9am to 1pm, where you can access practical support for shopping and medication, advice on finances and financial support packages available.

For those who receive a negative COVID-19 result, you should still continue to follow the latest government guidance and legislation:

- meet outside rather than inside where possible
- keep 2 metres apart from people that you don't live with ([unless you have formed a support bubble](#) with them)
- minimise travel in and out of Greater Manchester

If you have any further questions, please contact info@moorsidehigh.com.

Yours sincerely

Headteacher
Mr C Davis

NHS Test and Trace consent form for COVID-19 testing

This common consent form has been designed for use by parents and carers of pupils and under 16s, pupils and students over 16 and staff.

- For pupils and students younger than 16 years – this form must be completed by the parent or legal guardian. Please complete one consent form for each child you wish to consent to testing
 - Pupils and students over 16 can complete this form themselves, having discussed participation with their parent / guardian if under 18
 - Staff will complete this form themselves
1. I have had the opportunity to consider the information provided by the school about the testing and ask any questions
 2. In the case of under 16s, I have discussed the testing with my child and my child is happy to participate. If on the day of testing, they do not wish to take part, then they will not be made to do so and consent can be withdrawn at any time ahead of the test
 3. I consent to having / my child having a nose and throat swab for a PCR test
 4. I consent that my / my child's sample (s) will be tested for the presence of COVID-19
 5. I understand that my / my child's sample will be sent to the laboratory and I will be informed of the result by email or text
 6. I agree that if my child's test results are confirmed to be positive from this PCR test, I will report this to the school and I understand that I / my child will be required to self-isolate in line with public health advice

I confirm that I consent to all the statements above	
Name of pupil/student/staff to be tested (print)	
Year group (if applicable)	
Name of parent or carer if under 16 (print)	
Signature	
Date	
Relationship to the child if under 16	

Please return to main reception at Moorside High School or info@moorsidehigh.com