

# Message from the Meadows

...a weekly update from Mrs. Battaglia

November 20, 2020

Hello South Meadows' Families,

I hope this surprise weather warm up brightens your weekend:)

All of you should have received Dr. Helber's communication earlier this week alerting you that the District is taking a **PAUSE in FACE-to-FACE Learning** for the next two weeks. Your child's teacher should also have shared this information and any schedule tweaks with you. Here is an overview:

- Monday, November 23 and Tuesday, November 24 - NO building access for any students.
- Wednesday, November 25 - Friday, November 27 - NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving break.
- Monday, November 30 - Tuesday, December 8 - ALL Virtual Instruction.

Our goal is to return to face-to-face instruction on Wednesday, December 9th. Please be sure to check your weekly updates.

**Report Cards** Your child's first trimester report card will be available via PowerSchool beginning Wednesday, December 2nd. We sent communication home this week either with your child or via email for you to access your PowerSchool Parent Portal. Please reach out via email to Lisa Castile if you have further questions. [lcastile@chelsea.k12.mi.us](mailto:lcastile@chelsea.k12.mi.us)

**Food Service** With the switch to Virtual learning, we will still offer FOOD pick up for ALL families. Mondays at the High School Commons entrance from 1:00 - 3:00 PM. We will provide 7 days of lunch and breakfast for each child in your family.

**COVID testing** Information from District nurse, Marijane Nelson regarding new COVID testing site:

### **New COVID-19 Testing Site to Provide Saliva Testing**

*LynxDx, 2|42 Community Center, and Washtenaw County Health Department expand easy, accessible drive-thru testing*

YPSILANTI, Mich., Nov 18, 2020 – Washtenaw County Health Department is announcing plans with LynxDx and the 2|42 Community Center to offer a new drive-thru COVID-19 testing site in Ann Arbor opening on Wednesday, November 18. This new site will offer contactless saliva testing and will be open to all Michigan residents with or without insurance. COVID-19 continues to spread in Washtenaw County. Access to COVID-19 testing is an important tool in helping identify cases and prevent further community spread of COVID-19.

### **Testing Site Information**

This testing site will open on Wednesday, November 18. On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, testing will be available from 8:00 am-1:00 pm. On Tuesday and Thursday, testing will be available from 3:00-7:00 pm. This site will be closed for Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27.

Testing will be hosted in the parking lot of 2|42 Community Center/Church (648 S. Wagner Road in Ann Arbor). Drive-thru only.

Tests will be contactless and saliva-based (no nasal swabs required). Results will be sent to your email or phone within 48 hours. We expect this site to be able to accommodate 150-200 tests per day.

### **Who Can Get Tested?**

Testing is open to all Michigan residents. You do not need to have symptoms to get tested. You do not need a doctor's note or order to get tested.

Pre-registration is required. Register for a test at [lynxdx.health/register](https://lynxdx.health/register). You will need your driver's license or state-issued ID card and insurance card.

Testing is available with or without insurance. Please bring identification when you arrive for testing. If you have health insurance, please bring your card. There should be no out-of-pocket fees for individuals needing testing. Many insurance providers have already waived copays for COVID-19 testing. If you do not have insurance, testing staff will ask for your social security number to verify that you do not have insurance.

Once you arrive on-site for testing, LynxDx will verify your identity and other information. They will then provide a self-testing kit to collect your saliva sample.

**Support CEF** The mission of the Chelsea Education Foundation (CEF) is to enhance the Chelsea School District's educational experiences by financing projects beyond the resources of the district and by providing scholarships to district graduates.

Save the Date: [#GivingTuesday](#) is December 1st! It was created as a simple idea: a day that encourages people to do good. You are invited to consider supporting CEF and the students of Chelsea School District by donating on [#GivingTuesday](#).

Have a great weekend, and have a safe and **HAPPY THANKSGIVING :)**

Stacie Battaglia