



August 22, 2021

Dear parents, guardians and staff,

A person with COVID-19 was recently identified at Harmony/Salmon Creek. At this time, we do not believe that you or your child were exposed. We will notify you immediately should this change. While the limited exposure individual(s) are allowed to continue to attend under modified quarantine guidance from the health officer due to Harmony/Salmon Creek requiring masks be worn indoors and outdoors. It is because of this campus wide mask effort that the effected classroom(s) will remain open.

Testing is required of all students and staff as an essential component of a layered mitigation strategy to reduce the risk of spread and of classroom/school closure. Harmony will engage in weekly testing while case spread is ≥ 7 cases per 100,000 in Sonoma County. Testing will drop to a frequency of every other week (fortnightly) when testing is < 7 cases per 100,000.

Harmony/Salmon Creek will conduct PCR Testing on Monday, August 23, 2021.

If you have not yet registered your student in the COLOR testing software, please do so through the following link by Monday morning at 8:00AM. If you registered your child in the spring, the registration is still active. If you are unsure, register them anyway, and we will link the accounts later.

<https://home.color.com/covid/sign-up/start?partner=49707306110639students>

Harmony will be using both COLOR/Valencia Labs and Concentric as providers for individual PCR and pooled PCR testing respectively. The Concentric testing lab does not require full registration, but it DOES require completion of a consent form. This form must be completed by Wednesday August 25 at 8:00AM

<http://testcenter.concentricbyginkgo.com//minor-consent>

Access Code: HARMONY-USD

You must complete registration/consent for BOTH the COLOR provider and the Concentric provider above.

Even though you or your child may have not had any known exposure to COVID-19, it is still present in our community and we encourage you to continue to take steps to keep you and those around you safe. These steps include washing your hands often and wearing a mask or facial covering when in public spaces (indoors and out). If you or your child have not already been vaccinated, and you are able, we strongly encourage you to do so. Children ≥ 12 can receive the COVID vaccine, please check the county page for locations: https://www.scoe.org/pub/htdocs/school_staff_immunization.html

We also encourage you to be aware of the symptoms of COVID-19 and check yourself or your child for COVID-19 symptoms before coming to work or school. Symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- Cough
- Fever
- Shortness of breath
- Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea
- Body aches
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Runny nose
- New loss of taste or smell

If your child or anyone in your home is experiencing any of these symptoms, please stay home and do not come to school or work. Contact your healthcare provider and request a test for COVID-19, or utilize one of our county's free COVID-19 testing clinics, found here: <https://socoemergency.org/emergency/novel-coronavirus/testing-and-tracing/>

Thank you for helping to keep our community safe.

Sincerely,

Matthew Morgan
Superintendent – Principal