Akron Central School District

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Patrick D. McCabe Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Akron Central School District Community,

We have just been made aware that the Erie County Department of Health (ECDOH) has expanded their testing capacity for symptomatic students and staff. Please see the communication from ECDOH below for details.

ECDOH has been able to resume ID Now (rapid) COVID-19 diagnostic testing. ID Now is a NAAT test that provides results in about 15 minutes, on-site.

These tests are available by appointment only for <u>symptomatic</u> Pre-K-12 students and <u>symptomatic</u> school staff who have been excluded from school or work due to illness. This service is not intended for school staff who are required to show proof of routine COVID-19 testing because they have not documented full COVID-19 vaccination. School staff must bring their school ID to their appointment.

There is no cost for this test. Parents and school staff may call the ECDOH at (716) 858-2929 to schedule an appointment.

Our hope is that this expanded testing can be sustained, and enable us to return students and staff who exhibit COVID-like symptoms back to school/work sooner.

Thank you,

Patrick D. McCabe Superintendent of Schools