



August, 2021

Dear Ladera Elementary School Community,

Thank you for supporting a safe and healthy return to in-person learning. In an effort to offer additional assurances and comprehensive safety measures, our District has begun a voluntary student surveillance testing program through Curative, Inc.

School surveillance testing programs test asymptomatic individuals to discover undiagnosed cases and to better understand the rate of infection in the community. All schools are required to have surveillance testing programs. Weekly staff testing is mandatory for all unvaccinated school personnel. However, staff who are fully vaccinated need not participate in surveillance testing. **Testing is voluntary for students.**

In some instances, your student can be tested when they are symptomatic with chronic conditions which cause similar symptoms to COVID-19. If your child has a chronic condition like asthma, seasonal allergies, migraine headaches, and others please contact your school nurse. Your student's school nurse will be able to determine if they can be tested at school, or if they need to go home and isolate. The Curative test is a PCR "send out" test. These tests will be conducted with shallow nasal swabs inserted approximately half an inch into the nostril. **Every student tested must have a consent form signed by the parent or guardian.** You can use this consent form for the rest of this school year, and renew it every August. The consent form will be attached to this letter.

We thank you for your partnership and support of the students, families, educators, and school staff at Ladera Elementary. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact your school nurse, Cassandra Gamboa RN, 505-599-8605, ext 0515 or ext 5356; cgamboa@fms.k12.nm.us.

Sincerely,



Farmington Municipal Schools Consent for Curative COVID-19 PCR Testing

Curative is a PCR test that detects the presence of the virus that causes a COVID-19 infection. There is no charge to you for these tests and collecting the specimen for testing involves using a small swab into the front of the nose, not deep into the nose.

This test is completely voluntary and will not be administered without signed consent. This test may be administered to your child at various times for various reasons. (i.e.: symptoms for a chronic condition like seasonal allergies, headaches, or asthma). Both positive and negative results of this test will be reported to the New Mexico Department of Health so that it can begin contact tracing and other disease control measures if necessary. You will also be provided with the results of each test administered to your child.

Except as required by law, test results and testing information will be kept confidential by the school district and the NM Department of Health. NOTIFIABLE DISEASES OR CONDITIONS IN NEW MEXICO 7.4.3.13 NEW MEXICO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE may be located at: NOTIFIABLE CONDITIONS IN NEW MEXICO (nmhealth.org)

Consent and Acknowledgment

Completing and signing this form serves as consent for this test to be performed on the named individual at various times as determined necessary by the school district. School personnel also acknowledge the above statements. Upon request, this completed and signed form should be provided to the appropriate school district personnel and will grant permission for trained school personnel to conduct multiple Curative PCR tests on your child throughout the school year. This consent may be revoked at any time.

Print name of person subject to testing: _____ DOB: _____

Print parent/guardian name: _____ Date: _____

Address of participant: _____ Phone #: _____

Signature of parent/guardian: _____

DISTRICT USE:

Received by (name, title): _____ on (Date) _____

Place of test administration: _____ on (Date) _____