

Hello School Partners,

As the State of Michigan has embarked upon a new school year, and with the start of flu season there has been an overwhelming demand for COVID-19 at-home test kits. Due to this response to our programs, MDHHS has ordered additional test kits that will be available in November. Until those test kits arrive to our warehouse for shipment, we will be pausing our **MI Backpack Home Test Program**.

In the interim, please let students, families and staff know the following:

- The United States government is offering free COVID test kits. Please visit the link below to order:
 - Get Four Free At-Home COVID-19 Tests
- You can also check the State of Michigan's Coronavirus website for a list of free COVID-19 testing sites in your area:
 - Community Based Pop-Up Rapid Antigen Testing Events

We have also attached a document with QR codes for the resources listed above that you can pass out or post for students, families and staff. Any additional questions can be directed to <u>MDHHS-COVIDTestingSupport@michigan.gov</u>. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Respectfully,

COVID-19 Testing Collection and Coordination Team

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