



FORRESTVILLE VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #221

SUPERINTENDENT
Mrs. Sheri Smith

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

This is an important Covid-19 update. Today at Forreston High School, twelve students tested positive through our on-site BinaxNOW testing procedures. This is 4.76% of the high school student population. Nurse Nelson is currently working on contact tracing and will be in contact with Ogle County Health Department to determine what next steps are necessary. This is the largest number we have seen at FHS since the pandemic began.

At this time, school will continue to operate in person. If we find cases are linked, we will take the necessary actions for test-to-stay protocols. You will be contacted individually if this directly affects your student.

If your student is experiencing symptoms, please call the school so we can arrange for testing. However, do NOT send your student to school with symptoms under any circumstance. Testing is available as a drive-thru option to avoid students with symptoms and close contact situations.

I would ask for your patience as we navigate our week ahead. We will continue to communicate if further mitigation strategies become necessary.

Thank you,

Superintendent Smith