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# ***Health Services Updates***

October 4, 2021

Board of Education Meeting

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# Agenda



## Purpose

To provide updates on upcoming vaccination events and the district's COVID-19 testing strategy including surveillance testing of students and staff.

## Roadmap

- ▷ Surveillance Testing Overview and Incentives
- ▷ Surveillance Testing by the Numbers
- ▷ Vaccination Events

## Takeaway

APS remains committed to the health and safety of our students and staff by developing guidelines in accordance with recommendations from the Department of Public Health and CDC.

# COVID-19 Surveillance Testing Updates



- Starting September 7: **Twice weekly, mandatory testing** began for all staff across all schools and district offices. Testing is slated to take place 3-4 days a part.
- Staff with religious objections and/or medical exemptions have been provided opportunities to opt-out.
- During the month of September, we gathered employees' vaccination status or approved exemptions for our **paid leave incentive program** launching October 1st.
- Employees who are **fully vaccinated (or exempted) and who consistently participate in surveillance testing** will be eligible for up to two weeks of paid leave if they are quarantined or if they contract COVID.

# Surveillance Testing by the Numbers

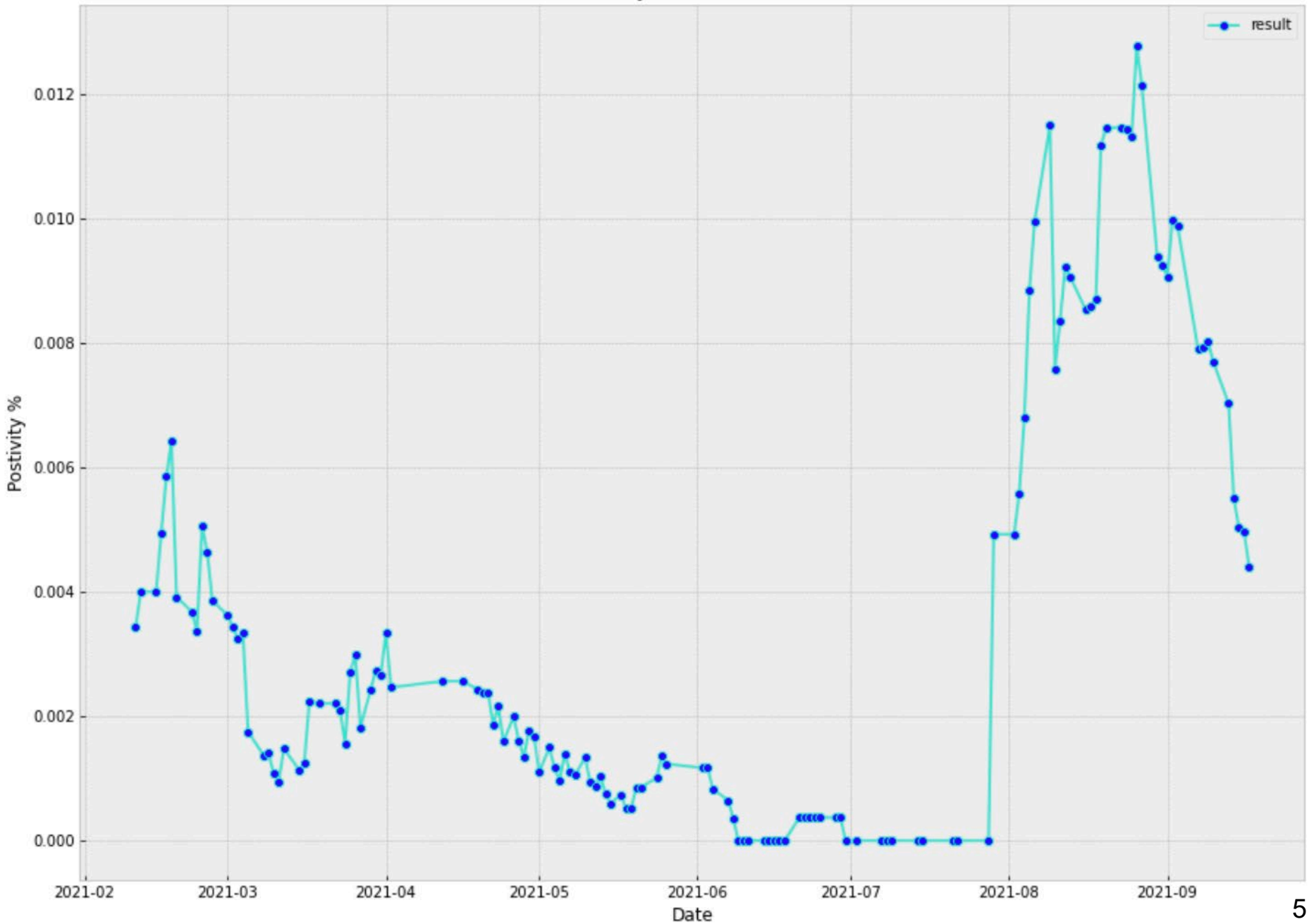


Week	Staff Tests Administered	Student Tests Administered	Total Tests Given	Staff Positive	Students Positive	Total Positive
8/2 - 8/6	1,236	1,478	2,714	5	19	24
8/9 - 8/13	2,747	6,992	9,739	10	69	79
8/16 - 8/20	3,266	8,799	12,065	15	127	142
8/23 - 8/27	3,535	9,732	13,267	11	125	136
8/30 - 9/3	3,785	10,764	14,549	13	113	126
9/6 - 9/10	8,951	9,213	18,164	25	69	94
9/13 - 9/17	12,374	12,399	24,773	23	79	102
9/20 - 9/24	12,485	12,843	25,328	13	85	98
9/27 - 10/1*	12,542	12,544	25,086	10	70	80
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>60,921</b>	<b>84,764</b>	<b>145,685</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>881</b>

\*= as of 2:30 PM 10/1/2021, not final count

# Surveillance Testing Only

## Positivity Rates Over Time



# APS and Fulton County Board of Health Vaccination Incentive Partnership

- APS will host targeted vaccination events in four clusters (Carver, South Atlanta, Washington, and Douglass) that are determined to have a low vaccination participation rate and a high social vulnerability index.
- Social vulnerability refers to the potential negative effects on communities caused by external stresses on human health.



# APS and Fulton County Board of Health Vaccination Incentive Partnership

Event dates, locations, and times:

- October 23rd (1<sup>st</sup> dose) and November 13th (2<sup>nd</sup> dose) at Washington and South Atlanta High schools from 10AM-2PM
- October 30th (1<sup>st</sup> dose) and November 20th (2<sup>nd</sup> dose) at Carver and Douglass from 10AM-2PM



# APS and Fulton County Board of Health Vaccination Incentive Partnership

- Fulton County Board of Health will provide a \$50 gift card per vaccine dose to eligible students and family members receiving 1<sup>st</sup> and/or 2<sup>nd</sup> vaccine doses (up to 100 incentives per location)
- APS will match \$50 gift card per vaccine for eligible APS students receiving 1<sup>st</sup> and/or 2<sup>nd</sup> vaccine dose (up to 100 student incentives per location)
- APS communications team will push out targeted communication in the forthcoming week

