

# Voluntary COVID-19 Testing Program Updates

## Wake County Board of Education - Work Session

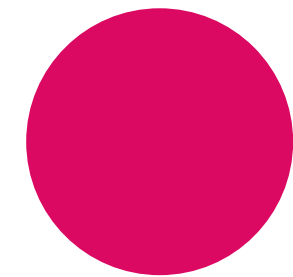
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# Overview of Process

## Phase I

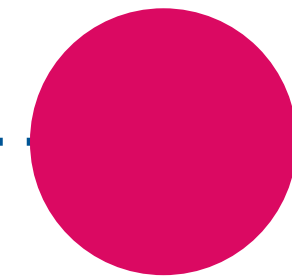


MOA approval with Mako

Voluntary testing for schools with active or potential clusters

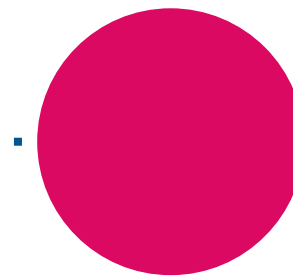
Voluntary testing for Central Services staff

## Phase II



Options for voluntary testing open to all schools

## Phase III



Anticipated implementation of federal mandates from President Biden

Mandated testing for all staff



## Phase I - Voluntary Testing

### **MOA with Mako Medical**

- consult with attorneys and provide to the Board upon completion

### **Voluntary Testing for Schools with Active or Potential Clusters**

- school-site contacts will work with Mako staff and sign up students and staff accordingly

### **Voluntary Testing Central Services Staff**

- designate Central Services locations
- Central Services contacts will work with Mako to sign up staff

### **Timeline Target**

- early November



## Phase II - Voluntary Testing Open to All Schools

### **Mako Medical**

- finalize school-based planning for readiness
- train school-based contacts about confidentiality and reporting
  - Mako staff will be testing students, not WCPSS staff
- launch school-based voluntary testing on a rolling basis (e.g. 50 schools at a time)

### **Timeline Target**

- late November to early January



# Phase III - Mandated Testing for All Staff

## Federal Mandate

- process for requesting proof of vaccination from staff
- plan for January 2022 implementation, at the earliest
- develop schedule for weekly mandatory testing of unvaccinated staff

## Timeline Target

- January 2022 or in accordance with date issued by the federal mandate



# Summary

- Complete MOA with Mako Medical
- Prepare for voluntary testing in schools with active or potential clusters
- Determine Central Services voluntary testing locations
- Communicate voluntary testing plan with families and staff
- Collaborate with Wake County Health and Human Services about vaccine rollout for 5-11 year olds
- Continue to communicate with families about vaccine availability and access to vaccination locations for 12-17 year olds
- Continue preparation for Federal Testing Mandate

# Dialogue and Questions

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ANYTHING  
IS POSSIBLE.