

7th September 2021

Dear Parents,

We would like to make you aware of some important changes regarding PCR testing that ADEK have recently issued.

For any student who is still yet to return to school, they must have a 96 hour valid PCR test prior to entry. This is only applicable the first time they enter school this academic year.

For students **under the age of 12 years**, their current PCR test will be valid for 30 days from the date of their initial test. For the majority of our students under 12 years, no further PCRs testing will be required until the end of the month.

**For students 12-18 years**, their PCR test is only valid for 14 days and as such, the majority of students in this age bracket will require a new PCR test soon. Students must have a PCR test valid within 14 days in order to enter school so please check your child's current status, remembering that it takes time for you to receive the results. Our free testing centre is **Biogenix Labs G42 Healthcare – Masdar City use the code K-9190**. They are open between **07:00am – 11:00pm** every day. You may of course use an alternative provider somewhere more convenient to you, but at your own cost.

We are hoping to offer testing at school in the coming days for students 12-18 years but have not yet been notified when this will be. Should you wish your child to be tested at school, please complete the attached consent form before **midday tomorrow**. Click here to complete form. The school testing option will not be available after mid-day on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> September as we need to coordinate with the clinic provider. Once you have filled in the online form, your child will be issued with a paper declaration form that they will bring home for you to sign and present on the day of testing. It is only once we receive the online and paper copy that your child will be able to be tested at school.

Given the short notice we have received, the window for completing the forms for school testing is very tight. You do however have the option of visiting the free testing centre or another provider should you so wish.

Thank you for your support in making sure that your child always remains in the PCR testing window, keeping our community safe at all times.

Kind regards,

Mike Wolfe Vice Principal