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Dear parents/guardians of an isolating student,

To continue to support our schools, students, staff and families, the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board is pleased to be able to facilitate, in partnership with Hamilton Public Health Services (HPHS) and the Ministry of Education, voluntary targeted COVID-19 testing at **St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Elementary School** for **all staff and those students identified by HPHS for quarantine**. Older siblings of isolating students who attend Bishop Tonnos and St. Thomas More Catholic Secondary Schools are also invited to register for the clinic.

In addition to daily screening, masking and the other health and safety measures, targeted testing in schools is an important layer of protection that helps to limit the spread of COVID-19. Targeted testing will help ensure that our schools remain safe environments in which to learn and work.

A voluntary COVID-19 Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) testing clinic for isolating staff/students and older siblings of isolating students will take place on **Saturday, February 20, 2021 from 9:00am to 11:00am**.

School staff, isolating and non-isolating, are encouraged to attend the morning session.

Register in advance for the COVID-19 testing using [this link](#). We recommend setting Google Chrome as your browser when using this testing site.

Consent will be required from parents or guardians of students under 18 years old. Please take note of the following:

- As part of the registration process, you will be required to provide your health card, parent/guardian information along with child information, including name and date of birth. You will also complete a COVID-19 questionnaire and a consent form (also attached for quick reference).
- If you are experiencing technical difficulties while registering, you can email support@gvtlabs.ca. This email service is available from 8:00am - 8:00pm and is monitored throughout the day.
- If you have trouble creating your appointment, please contact GVT Lab Imaging Services Inc. at service@gvtlabs.ca or go to the testing site during clinic hours.
- Test results can be accessed at the Ontario Health provincial portal, [here](#).

The school and the board will communicate with parents, guardians and staff should the need for future targeted testing dates arise.

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