

Catholic Diocese of Lexington
Additional Information on Optional 'Test to Stay' Program

Diocese of Lexington Catholic Schools have partnered with Ethos Laboratories (Newport, KY) to offer a “Test to Stay” opt in plan for students who have been in “close-contact” with someone who does NOT live in the SAME household who has tested positive to COVID-19. The program will begin on December 1, 2021.

The Test to Stay school program is an option that parents may choose in lieu of an automatic 10-day at home quarantine if they have been in close contact with someone who does not live in their same household who has tested positive to COVID, such as a grandparent, friend, or teammate.

The Test to Stay program will allow students to remain in the classroom for optimum in-person learning and participate in all school day activities/programs, minimizing the need for remote learning due to absence from mandatory precautionary COVID-19 quarantine.

The Test to Stay program is supported by the State, so there is no cost to you or the school. It is a completely voluntary program and you will have the ability to unenroll your child from the program at any time.

As always, we respect your decision and appreciate your ongoing support as we strive to accomplish our goal of more in-person learning days throughout this school year.

Reminders:

1. The Test to Stay Program is a free optional testing for asymptomatic students who are in “close contact” with someone who does NOT live in the same household beginning Wednesday, 12-01-21.
2. Parents of students will need to create an account and login by clicking <http://www.ethosbacktoschool.com/>.
3. Parents of students are encouraged to enroll their child now at the school they attend to speed up the registration process on testing day. Parents may opt their child out of this voluntary program at any time, even if they register now.
4. When parents initially enroll their child in the program, select “**Diocese of Lexington**” as the “District Name”, then select the “**school name**”.
5. Every time a student needs to test you will have to register for the test.
6. Test results will be available within 15 minutes at the testing area.