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**Dr. Jason B. Atkinson, Superintendent**

Dear Parents,

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**Have you registered your children for complimentary COVID-19 testing?** In conjunction with the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, West Bladen High School is providing weekly COVID-19 testing on site at our school. **In order for your student to participate in this free, [StrongSchoolsNC COVID-19 testing](#), you will need to register your student.**



**Register your student today with this link: [West Bladen High COVID-19 Testing Registration](#)**

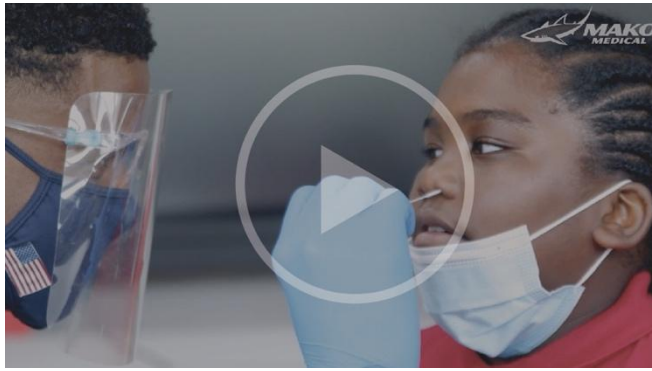
### **Keeping Kids Safe**

We strongly recommend all families participate in this free program. COVID-19 variants are spreading throughout the United States and research shows routine testing can reduce the spread of COVID-19 by 50%, especially in large settings such as schools.

### **How it Works**

A parent or guardian must register any minor under 18 years old. You'll give a one-time consent and HIPAA authorization to share testing results with all necessary parties. All testing information is confidential and results will be available in hours.

Raleigh-based MAKO Medical will administer an anterior nares nasal swab test that is quick and gentle. (This is NOT the test that tickles the brain!) Check out this video to see our student testing in action.



### **Register Today**

We are dedicated to keeping North Carolina students and educators safe, but we need your help.

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To learn more about [StrongSchoolsNC COVID-19 testing](#), visit [www.MAKOstrongschoolsNC.com](http://www.MAKOstrongschoolsNC.com).

Thank you for helping to keep our school community safe and healthy.

Dr. Peggy Hester  
Principal, West Bladen High School