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To parents of children attending
school in Aargau

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Regular Covid-19 testing in schools

Dear parents,

The Aargau State Council believes that regular testing has an important role to play in beating the pandemic. As a result, at the start of April it made the decision to carry out this large-scale testing programme in schools, as well.

Your child's school has registered for regular weekly testing. Your child's participation in the tests is voluntary and free of charge.

The tests take the form of saliva samples collected at home in the mornings. Collecting this sample is neither painful nor unpleasant. You child will take it to school, where it will be pooled with other samples before being tested anonymously in a lab.

You will be informed about the result of the test directly, as will your child's school. If a pool returns a positive result, all the people in this pool will be tested individually at school for a second time. People who test positive should enter into isolation immediately, and will be looked after by Canton of Aargau Contact Tracing (CONTI).

Everyone needs to complete a one-off online registration process for the voluntary tests. You will receive the registration link from your child's school. By registering, you are explicitly giving your **personal consent** for the regular testing and the data processing required for this.

Your school would be happy to answer any questions you may have about the regular tests. Further information can also be found at www.ag.ch/coronavirus-rete.

We believe that this step will help contain the pandemic and offer the best possible protection to members of the school community and their families.

Thank you for your trust and your support. We will not allow our guard to slip at this stage!

Yours faithfully



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