



Greenfield Public Schools
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Dear GPS Parents, Guardians, Caregivers,

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted nearly every aspect of our lives, including how we go about making travel plans. We are writing today to remind you of the Massachusetts travel restrictions that remain in place <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-travel-advisory>. The State advisory dictates that all out-of-state travelers, including returning residents, must “quarantine for 10 days or produce a negative COVID-19 test result that has been administered up to 72-hours prior to your arrival in Massachusetts. If not obtained before entry to Massachusetts, a test may be obtained after arrival. However, all such arriving travelers must immediately begin the 10-day quarantine until a negative test result has been received.”

We ask that you keep this in mind when you are making plans for April vacation. **We request that if you intend to travel out-of-state during April vacation, you make arrangements to have a COVID test result in-hand by April 25 in order to enter GPS buildings on April 26.** At this time the fastest and easiest way to get a COVID test locally is at the state-sponsored “Stop the Spread” site at Greenfield Community College <https://www.cic-health.com/stopthespread>. Results from the site are usually available within 24 to 36 hours, so please plan accordingly. Although some pharmacies are providing rapid antigen tests, they are not always available and we expect demand to be higher than usual that week, so we advise you not to rely on that as an option.

Implementing all of the state COVID regulations is extensive work for the nursing staff, so we appreciate all of your cooperation and commitment to helping us keep GPS staff and students safe and healthy by slowing the spread.

Thank you,

Nurses of the Greenfield Public Schools