



Accelerate Progress for Students

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RFP TITLE: Covid-19 Rapid Antigen At-Home Test Kits

ADDENDUM NUMBER: 2

Please see Question and Answers:

1. Will APS consider a vendor that provides a complete end to end digital (testing and treatment) solution from test validation to medical evaluation for treatment that provides eligibility for antivirals should one test positive?

Answer: The school district is interested in purchasing a product that meets the specifications as outlined in the bid.

2. What is the purpose of this testing? Asymptomatic? Symptomatic?

Answer: At present time, COVID-19 test kits provided by the school district are for individuals experiencing COVID-19 symptoms; however, this is subject to change.

3. How much money is allocated to market/promote APS testing?

Answer: The school district (APS) utilizes normal means of communication (i.e. APS website, social media, local media, newsletters, email, etc.) for keeping employees, parents and students informed of COVID safe practices, including COVID-19 testing.

4. Is there a defined budget for this project/contract? How much?

Answer: The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) has provided Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds allowing for the purchase of test kits to meet the needs of the school district and any testing requirements established by the state's public education department.

5. Who are you looking to test? Staff, Students, Visitors, etc.?

Answer: At the present time, test kits are made available to students and employees of the school district who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.

6. What is the Daily, Weekly, Monthly Volume anticipated?

Answer: The number of test kits varies depending on the county's positivity rate. When

there is a rise in COVID-19 cases, there is a rise in the number of individuals experiencing symptoms and in need of a COVID-19 test.

7. What current programs are available for testing options for APS?

Answer: COVID-19 testing options include any at-home rapid antigen COVID-19 tests along with COVID-19 tests administered at a New Mexico Department of Health testing site or by any other testing provider.

8. How will tests be distributed to locations that anticipate testing?

Answer: COVID-19 tests will either be ordered and shipped to each site or delivered to a central location and distributed to schools from the central location.

9. Is there a need to track results- Positive vs. Negative?

Answer: The school district has a process in place for tracking positive cases and verifying negative test results of symptomatic individuals who test negative and wish to return to school/work before the isolation period has ended.

10. Where is the funding being allocated from this bid?

Answer: The funding source is from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) providing Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding allocated to schools.

11. Does the state have existing test inventory that APS would have available for use?

Answer: Announced in August of 2022, the CDC plans to make at-home COVID-19 tests available to schools this school year; distribution is to be coordinated through the New Mexico Department of Health. There has not been any further information formally released on when this is to occur or the process.

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