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Subject: CM Charles Allen Q's for weekly COVID call

Below are my questions for this week's Council-Mayor COVID call:

# **Testing Site in Southwest DC:**

The neighborhoods of Southwest DC have been the only quadrant in our city with no regular COVID testing site. Both I and ANC 6D have repeatedly asked for a regular and recurring public testing sites to be located in Southwest, preferably at King-Greenleaf Recreation Center. Last night, DOH announced that they will begin a recurring public testing site in Southwest. That is appreciated and could you please share the details of when this testing will begin, where it will be located, and how often it will be recurring?

### **Childcare Setting Testing Reports and Transparency:**

### Please provide:

- 1. The number of cumulative and current active cases in the past 7 days by setting, i.e., childcare center or school, including traditional public, charter, and private.
- 2. The number of students and separately the number of staff currently in quarantine due to COVID-19 by childcare center or school, including traditional public, charter, and private.
- 3. The number of deaths due to COVID-19 of either staff or students who were in in-person childcare centers or schools, including traditional public, charter, and private (this doesn't mean they had to have contracted COVID-19 in this setting).
- 4. The cumulative number of outbreaks in childcare centers or schools, including traditional public, charter, and private and the definition being used to define an

- outbreak.
- 5. Is this data being collected and tracked through our Contract Tracing? Can this be publicly reported on a regular and ongoing basis, perhaps weekly? If not, why?

### **DCPS High School Application Testing**

I have had some families report to me they are hearing that DCPS Selective High Schools are cancelling application tests. Are tests being cancelled? If tests are being cancelled due to concerns about gatherings due to COVID exposure risks, have smaller decentralized testing sites been considered as an alternative to provide safe sites for testing rather than altering the application process that students and families have prepared for?

## **Updating Restrictions to Reduce COVID Exposure Risks**

In reviewing the data shared on Monday, it was reported that the top three reported exposures by contract tracing was "Social Events", "Bar/Restaurant", and "Work" - each with more than 25% of positive cases reporting this type of high risk exposure. These 3 exposures are significantly higher than other reported exposure risks. With cases clearly rising consistently and significantly in the District and region, does DOH believe there is a threshold that must be met before restrictions are reimposed? And for the broad category of "Bar/Restaurant", why are contract tracers not asking whether the exposure was indoor vs. outdoor dining, so that this data could help inform where reimposed restrictions would have the greatest impact?

Thanks as always for everyone's hard work.

Charles Allen

Sent from my iPad