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PATERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS PARTNERS WITH THE CITY OF PATERSON IN PROVIDING COVID-19 TESTING TO PATERSON RESIDENTS

Four district schools to serve as testing sites

PATERSON – Superintendent of Schools Eileen F. Shafer today joined Mayor Andre Sayegh, members of the city council, and Sunrise Diagnostics CEO Tuseeaf Rathore to announce the opening of four COVID-19 testing sites throughout the city.

“The Paterson Public School District is proud to be partnering with the city,” said Shafer at a press conference held at Eastside High School. “Unless we have testing available to everyone, we cannot open – and that includes the children. When it’s a time of crisis, that’s when everybody needs to come together.”

“As long as you are a Paterson resident, you will not be turned away,” said Sayegh. “A lot folks want to get back into action. But it can’t happen without expanding access to testing. We have to build bandwidth within our diagnostic capacity.”

Testing will begin on Friday, May 15th. All Paterson residents showing a photo ID and proof of residency will be able to be tested free of charge, regardless of whether they have symptoms or health insurance.

The announcement was made in the parking lot of Eastside high School, where officials involved the memorial of the school’s principal of operations, Dr. Gerald E. Glisson. Glisson died on May 3, 2020.

The four COVID-19 testing sites are:

- Eastside High School, 150 Park Avenue
- Public School No. 18, 51 East 18th Street
- Public School No. 28, 200 Presidential Blvd.
- John F. Kennedy Educational Complex, 61-127 Preakness Avenue

All school buildings will be closed. Testing facilities will be in the schools’ parking lots.

The hours of testing are:

- Monday, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Thursday through Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

There will be no testing at Eastside High School on Saturday, May 16.

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