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**NYSUT Board Resolution on
the use of COVID-19 Testing
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Whereas, there is no replacement for in-person education, and our goal is to safely return to that; and

Whereas, we continue to combat a global health pandemic, in-person educational instruction may only be responsibly achieved when we ensure that school buildings operate in accordance with the latest science-based health and safety guidelines; and

Whereas, New York State COVID-19 testing directives, including the infection rate-based zone system implemented to guide testing and closure requirements in late 2020, are not being adequately updated, funded, or uniformly applied; be it therefore

RESOLVED, NYSUT will continue to advocate for robust science-based safety guidelines and re-opening metrics from the State that include State-funded preventive surveillance testing of students and staff in all communities to identify those infected with the virus but asymptomatic.