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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman
Albany County Legislature
112 State Street, Room 710
Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

Albany County Department of Health (ACDOH) requests to extend the contract with NYSDOH/HRI to support safe, in-person instruction in kindergarten through grade 12 (K-12) schools in Albany County, to slow the spread of COVID-19. We have been notified of a no-cost extension, the contract end date is now 7/31/2023. This funding supports safe, in-person instruction in K-12 schools. ACDOH supplies schools with PCR test kits, masks, gloves, cleaning supplies and will be purchasing portable air purifiers for classrooms. A mobile testing van was purchased to assist with screening and diagnostic testing for the school year beginning Fall 2022.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth F. Whalen, MD, MPH
Commissioner of Health

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel
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Enclosures



Albany County Department of Health is nationally accredited and meets rigorous public health standards set forth to best meet the needs of our community.