SUPPLEMENTAL PRESIDENTIAL ORDER I to the above-cited COVID-19 Presidential Order (Amended – December 31, 2020)

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Cal Poly’s use of the nasal swab test for general ASYMPTOMATIC CAMPUS TESTING is being discontinued.

ASYMPTOMATIC CAMPUS TESTING will now be processed through a combination of the campus-developed saliva test and additional diagnostic testing as needed.

The saliva test is free of charge to all currently-enrolled students.

Students may now comply with Cal Poly’s ongoing testing requirement by participating in the saliva testing and follow-up diagnostic testing if so directed; or by submitting evidence of a negative molecular COVID-19 test provided by an outside provider, as described in the Presidential Order (Amended), effective January 4, 2021.

The campus-developed saliva testing is currently being utilized as a surveillance test and, pursuant to CDC regulations, results from surveillance testing cannot be reported to individuals and cannot be officially reported to state or local public health departments as diagnostic or screening results.

For the saliva testing, students will report to an ACT site where their saliva will be collected and later tested by the campus.

Students whose samples show the possible presence of the COVID 19 virus or are indeterminate will either have their existing saliva samples submitted for diagnostic saliva testing by a lab approved to perform such testing or be directed to take a separate diagnostic test.

Students will be notified of their diagnostic test results only (not surveillance results).

When directed to take a diagnostic test, a student may be tested by Campus Health and Wellbeing at no charge; or may take the diagnostic test with the student’s own provider, at the student’s expense, and provide the results to Cal Poly.

Students who have been directed to take a diagnostic test will follow quarantine and/or isolation instructions as directed by San Luis Obispo Public Health and/or Campus Health and Wellbeing while awaiting diagnostic test results.
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