

COVID-19 Testing at School

Asymptomatic weekly testing applies to several groups: unvaccinated staff, athletes playing indoor sports, and those on modified quarantine following an on-campus exposure to a Covid-19 positive person. Additionally, testing is required of all unvaccinated coaches and volunteers working with or transporting students. This program is being offered free of charge for students, staff and volunteers of Durham Unified School District. This will help to ensure that we meet the California Department of Public Health Guidelines currently in effect.

Registration Process and Results

This process will only take you a few minutes! Staff or parent volunteers, follow prompts to register as “myself”. If you are a parent/guardian, you will first enter your name then select “Minor” to register your student. Click on this link to register:

<https://durham.testscheduler.net>

Be sure to include information for the person being tested when you register. All consents are gathered electronically during this process and remain in effect for one year. Many of the questions asked are used for local and State reporting purposes and your information is not shared beyond that. Results will be shared with the contact person provided on your registration after testing is completed. If there is a positive test site administrators will also be notified automatically.

Type of Tests:

We will primarily be using PCR testing for our asymptomatic testing as it is the most accurate. Each person will self-swab for a test sample. Our health staff will label samples, place swabs into containers, and overnight ship them to the lab. Results should be available 24-48 hours after the sample is received by the lab. In cases where a staff or student is symptomatic and a test result is needed immediately, we will also have antigen (Rapid) testing available.

Testing Days and Times:

Our testing site is in Portable #13 on the Durham Intermediate School campus (next to the Durham Intermediate Gym). Testing will be available on Mondays and Wednesdays between 11:30am-3:30pm starting on 10/04/2021. Modified quarantine students will be tested between days 5-7 following a classroom exposure. If you wish to have your child who is on modified quarantine tested outside of school testing, please provide your results to the Health Office once you receive them. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me, Jean Hensley, District Nurse, by phone 530-895-4680 ext 226 or via email Jhensley@durhamunified.org.

