

McHenry County School Staff and Student COVID-19 Testing at MCDH (Effective 3/8/2021)

Protocol for Testing School Staff and Students at MCDH:

Testing for McHenry County school staff and students will be available by **appointment only** through the McHenry County Department of Health (MCDH) office located at 2200 N. Seminary Ave., Woodstock, IL 60098.

BinaxNOW rapid testing and molecular PCR testing is available through MCDH. The type of test to be completed is at the discretion of the MCDH RN performing the test per MCDH and IDPH guidance/protocol.

Below is the outline of criteria for testing, how to make an appointment and process for testing.

Qualifying criteria for testing:

Anyone being tested must be employee or student of a McHenry County school or daycare and must have symptoms of COVID-19 and symptoms must have started within the previous 7 days:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Scheduling a test:

- Testing will be available M-F, 10:00 am-11:30 am; M, T 12:30 pm-3:30 pm
- Appointments will be every 15 minutes
- Electronic appointment links will be made available to the school liaison to schedule appointments for their facilities employees or students. Appointment links will go live at 12:00AM each day testing is available. You cannot use link prior to the date of the clinic to schedule appointment.
- Appointments will not be scheduled over the phone.
- A school or daycare ID (Employee or Student), letter from daycare is required for daycare children, to be shown to receive testing.

Testing:

Testing will be completed at the trailer in the east parking lot of the MCDH's Building A, located at 2200 N. Seminary Ave. Woodstock, IL 60098.

Employees or Student will:

- Arrive at the scheduled time
- Drive up to the trailer



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- Stay in the car. Call 815-334-4527 if no MCDH staff greets the car.
- Wear a mask
- Present your school ID
- Sign a testing consent form
 - a. Consent for students and daycare children must be signed by parent or legal guardian
- Test results will be available within 20 minutes. Individuals will be asked to wait for the results in their car in the designated parking spot assigned by MCDH staff.
- Written proof of results will be provided to employee or student/child's parent/guardian. School employees or parent/guardian will be responsible for communication of their results.
- If positive for COVID-19, they must be isolated for a minimum of 10 days after symptom onset and can be released when afebrile (without fever-reducing medication) for at least 24 hours and improvement of COVID-19 symptoms
- If negative, they will return to work/school depending on school policy.