

Optional Diagnostic COVID-19 Testing for Students, Families & Staff

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The Whitefish Bay School District has partnered with [Accelerated Clinical Laboratories](#) (ACL) to provide free, optional, diagnostic COVID-19 testing for students, their families, and staff. Diagnostic testing is recommended when there is reason to believe a person may have COVID-19, such as having symptoms or having recently been exposed to the disease.

Based upon the feedback we have received for our community we have made programming modifications to increase safety for all. See **UPDATES** below.

Who Can Get Tested? **UPDATED**

- Students, staff and individuals identified below, who are asymptomatic or symptomatic may get tested.
- Based on the K-12 schools program grant, family members of students/staff may be only tested if they are picking up/dropping off the student at school, if they are attending an event at school or they are volunteering at school. - **No exceptions.**

Testing Location and Schedule **UPDATED**

Diagnostic testing by ACL will take place at the **northwest corner of the parking lot at Lydell Community Center**, 5205 N Lydell Ave, Whitefish Bay, WI 53217.

Beginning September 2, 2021, testing will be offered:

- Tuesdays 7:30am - 9:30am;
- Thursdays 3:30pm - 5:30pm;
- Fridays 7:30am - 9:30am.

For Mitigation and safety reasons, families, students, and staff arriving for tests should not have an expectation to access the Lydell building.

How to Get Tested - All individuals and children will be required to pre-register on COVID Connect website below prior to testing. A parent/guardian will need to complete a consent form and pre-registration for each child prior to testing. No appointment is needed to be tested at the

District's partnership testing site, but again, all individuals and children will need to register on COVID Connect prior to testing.

Registration and Consent via COVID Connect **UPDATED**

It is **required** that all staff and families pre-register via this link before arriving for testing.

<https://register.covidconnect.wi.gov/>

Important note: When prompted to select a testing site, please select **“I’m being tested at a non-public site.”**

Upon completion of the pre-registration form, you will be emailed a QR code for each person pre-registered. Present your QR code upon arrival to the testing site.

Type of Test- PCR testing will be conducted. PCR tests have a turnaround time of approximately 24 to 48 hours. The actual times may vary based upon the amount of community testing and spread.

How Will I Get My Results? Until you have your test results, limit contact with others, monitor any symptoms, and [take these steps](#) while you wait for your results.

- Negative results: you will be emailed a secure link to view and print results.
- Positive results: you will be emailed a secure link to view and print results, and you will be called by contact tracing staff.

What Happens If I Test Positive for COVID-19? If you or your child test positive for COVID-19 you will receive a call from contact tracing staff. Please immediately [follow the steps on page 3 of the DHS document to start home isolation.](#)

Why is COVID-19 Testing Important? Testing helps reduce community spread and keeps schools operating safely. Testing individuals who are symptomatic or close contacts helps enable rapid detection of cases in the school community and reduce or prevent school outbreaks.

Future Testing Options - The District will carefully monitor local and school trends and consider the possibility of expanding testing to include optional weekly screening, outbreak testing, as well as special event testing.