

MDHHS MI Safe School Antigen Testing Update 12/13/2021

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is implementing a new antigen test ordering process to support testing in schools, beginning December 13th, 2021. This process is outlined below. For questions regarding the new ordering process, please email MDHHS-COVIDTestingSupport@michigan.gov.

Ordering Process

1. Schools will continue to submit order request through the [School ordering from](#). When submitting antigen supply request through the ordering from this will allow your school district to order from MDHHS.
2. Local school districts will view the [Dashboard](#) provided by MDHHS to review number of test request submitted from schools in their district.
3. School Districts will then submit request through the [School District ordering form](#).
4. Shipments will be sent directly to the school district point of contact and address for distribution within their district.
5. Shipments to school districts will only occur twice per month. Shipments will occur on xx and xx, *dates TBD*.

Note*

- **All MDHHS supported facilities are to request only one month's supply to allow MDHHS to support all vulnerable population.**
- **Allow up to two weeks for order fulfillment. If experiencing an outbreak, shipments will be expedited.**

Reporting

Antigen test for COVID-19 must be reported to the Department in a manner directed by the Department within 4 hours of completion of the test if the results is positive to the [Antigen Reporting Form](#). On a day when testing occurs the total number of negative antigen test completed must be reported within 24 hours. Facilities that wish to may continue to provide individual negative results.

Reporting guidance can be found here- [MI COVID Antigen Reporting](#)

Frequent Questions

1. **Have reporting requirements also changed?**
No, reporting requirements remain the same. All results must be reported through the Michigan Antigen Testing Results Portal found here: [Antigen Reporting Form](#). Individual positive results must be reported within 4 hours and aggregate negative results must be reported within 24 hours.
 - **Utilization of the Abbott BinaxNOW Navica application does not circumvent the requirement to report results through the Antigen reporting form.**
2. **We are a Charter school, Parochial school, Private school, and/or other- How do I order?**
All non-public schools will order through their local districts. If you are not sure which district your school is within you can visit <https://cepi.state.mi.us/eem/>

3. What is my school building code?

Your school building code is a 5-digit code. This code can be found on the <https://cepi.state.mi.us/eem/> website.

4. How often can I test?

Student testing can be conducted twice a week unless your school participates in test to stay. Staff testing can be conducted once a week.

5. Can I order for staff testing only?

Currently MDHHS is prioritizing request and supplies due to an increase in positivity sites testing under state and local mandates and vulnerable populations. These sites are ramping up testing and utilization rates have increased significantly. Therefore, testing only staff will not be supported at this time. Please send your inquiries to MDHHS-COVIDtestingsupport@michigan.gov.

To learn more about school testing please visit [Coronavirus - K-12 School Opening Guidance \(michigan.gov\)](#)

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