

MI Safe Schools Testing Program

To support SARS-COV-2 testing in schools, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is offering a voluntary program to provide point of care rapid antigen testing to educators, staff, and students. Testing for SARS-COV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, is not a requirement for schools.

What?

The MI Safe Schools testing program is a voluntary program offered by MDHHS for Michigan K-12 schools who wish to offer weekly testing to educators, staff, and students to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19. MDHHS will provide training, guidance, and rapid antigen testing materials to schools who sign up and agree to program requirements.

Who?

K-12 teachers, administrators, students, paraprofessionals, teaching aides, and non-instructional staff are all eligible to opt into this program through their participating school or district.

Where?

Schools will be able to test educators, staff, and students on school grounds.

Why?

MDHHS is continuing to monitor COVID-19 in school settings. And will continue to provide testing and other protocols schools can use to reduce exposure risks for students, parents, and staff.

When?

Upon receiving test materials, participating schools will be able to test educators, staff, and students.

Participation Requirements

- Engagement of key stakeholders including educators, staff, and school administrators.
- One testing lead must be identified per school, with contact information provided.
- Participating schools must report aggregate or individual positive tests.
- Results and documents may be audited by MDHHS or local health departments.

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