



Back to School Kickoff Event!

**Testing Collection and Coordination Team
Local Health Unit Team**

**August 8th, 2022 from 10:00 am – 11:30 am
August 12th, 2022 from 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm**



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Agenda

Welcome and TCC Introductions

Guest Speaker – Dr. Alexis Travis

Current Programs

- MI Safe School Antigen Testing Program
- MI Backpack Home Test Program
- Health Resource Advocate/School Liaison Program
- Multiplex Program

Q&A



Dr. Alexis Travis

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MI Safe School Antigen Testing Program

Free point of care COVID-19 test kits available to all K-12 schools

School Districts, ISD, Charter Schools, and Non-Public Schools will order directly from the [School District Antigen COVID Test Ordering Form](#)

Districts should place one order per month to cover school testing supply needs

Additional requests can be accommodated in the event of an outbreak (this is indicated on the ordering form)





Vendor Supported Testing

- MDHHS has worked to onboard several new testing vendors to increase staffed testing support in Michigan. Schools have been identified as prime candidates to receive this type of support.
- The intent is to shift testing responsibilities to MDHHS testing vendors. This will alleviate the testing burden on school staff and volunteers while maintaining regular testing protocols to continue to contribute to safer in-person learning environments.

POLL #1



Reminders/Tips

Before ordering more COVID-19 test kits:

- Ensure you count all remaining test kits
 - Review expiration dates on all test kits
 - Refrain from stockpiling
- Report all expired test kits once
 - Be aware of how many test kits are expiring at your school



School Dashboard

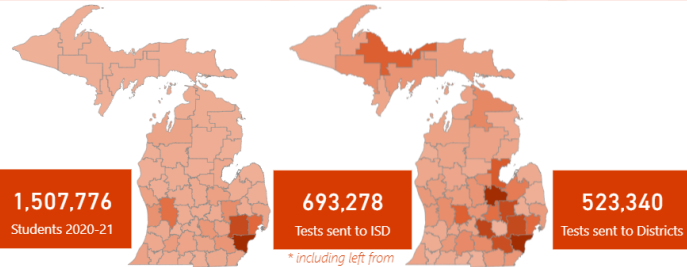
MI Safer Schools Test Requests '21-'22

Tests sent to ISDs thru Nov. 2021, then began shipping to Districts Dec. 2021, then Non-Public Schools Jan. 2022

Students by ISD 2020-21

Tests Sent to ISD* 2021

Tests Sent to District 2022



Students by District 2020-21

Tests Requested by District*

1,507,776 Students 2020-21

643,253 # Tests Requested

*Requested includes all requests submitted via Form for ISDs, Public School Districts, Individual Public Schools, Charter Schools/PSA Districts and Non-Public Schools and subject to duplicates and some errors due to confusion with difference of Request vs. Order Form as well as the changes in process from shipping to ISDs to School Districts (including PSA Charter) and now shipping to Non-Public Schools individually as well

Reported #s as good as Schools reporting with appropriate logging (School Org Type, EEM school code, etc.) directions [here](#)

ISD, District: All

Reported Date: 8/1/2021 - 3/1/2022

ISD/District	Students 2020-21	Reported 2021-22	% Positive
Genesee ISD	63,214	48,494	3.4%
Flushing Community Schools - 25120	4,278	9,626	3.1%
Kearsley Community School District - 25110	2,971	3,483	3.4%
Linden Community Schools - 25250	2,514	3,086	2.5%
Westwood Heights Schools - 25210	1,597	2,967	2.3%
Grand Blanc Community Schools - 25030	8,373	2,936	2.6%
Davison Community Schools - 25140	5,919	2,748	2.7%
Swartz Creek Community Schools - 25180	3,755	2,179	5.1%
Montrose Community Schools - 25260	1,449	2,064	2.8%
Bendle Public Schools - 25060	1,077	2,059	3.4%
Flint, School District of the City of - 25010	3,977	2,049	2.5%
Genesee ISD - 25000	800	1,920	2.5%
Bentley Community School District - 25230	1,680	1,765	5.2%
Goodrich Area Schools - 25050	1,918	1,732	2.9%
Lake Fenton Community Schools - 25200	2,011	1,727	5.2%
Lekeville Community School District - 25280	1,110	1,499	4.1%
Genesee School District - 25070	663	1,205	4.6%
Atherton Community Schools - 25130	820	948	2.4%
International Academy of Flint - 25905	950	909	3.5%
Mt. Morris Consolidated Schools - 25040	1,607	824	7.4%
Clio Area School District - 25150	2,731	766	4.8%
Carman-Ainsworth Community Schools - 25080	4,029	776	2.8%
Fenton Area Public Schools - 25100	3,541	758	3.0%
Beecher Community School District - 25240	700	183	5.5%
Woodland Park Academy - 25902	326	141	6.4%
Richfield Public School Academy - 25910	615	72	4.2%
WAY Academy - Flint - 25915	89	12	0.0%
Burton Glen Charter Academy - 25909	609	0	
Eagle's Nest Academy - 25916	165	0	
Flex High School of Michigan - 25918	175	0	
Flint Cultural Center Academy - 25919	450	0	
Genesee STEM Academy - 25900	311	0	
Grand Blanc Academy - 25903	265	0	
Greater Heights Academy - 25914	212	0	
Linden Charter Academy - 25907	760	0	
Total	1,507,776	435,107	3.9%

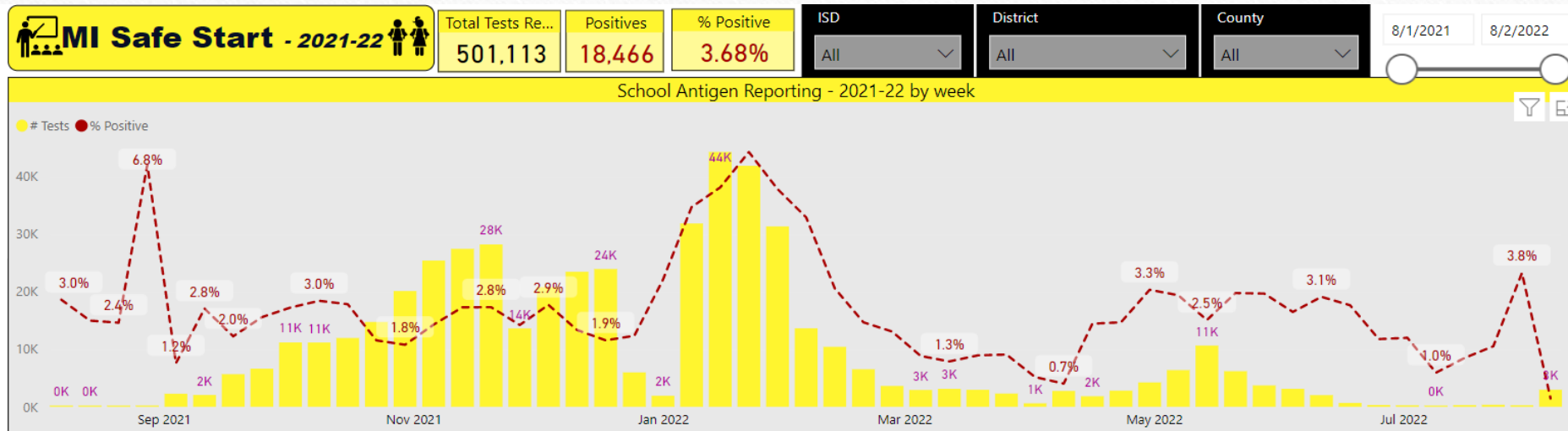
Click on TCC Icon to review your schools ordering/reporting data



MI Safe School Results Reporting



Antigen testing for COVID-19 **must** be reported via [the Michigan Antigen Testing Results](#) portal.



Questions for Schools

*Please raise your hand to answer the question or place your answer in the chat

1) For those who participated in the MI Safe Schools program last year what were the benefits to your school community? What are some areas of improvement?



POLL #2



MI Backpack Home Test Program

The program allows schools to request free, at-home COVID-19 antigen tests for K-12 students, educators, staff, and their families in Michigan's schools.

All request will be reviewed, and quantities determined by the student/staff population and supply availability.

Every individual enrolled in the program will receive one at-home COVID-19 test "kit," which includes 2 at-home tests.



MI Backpack

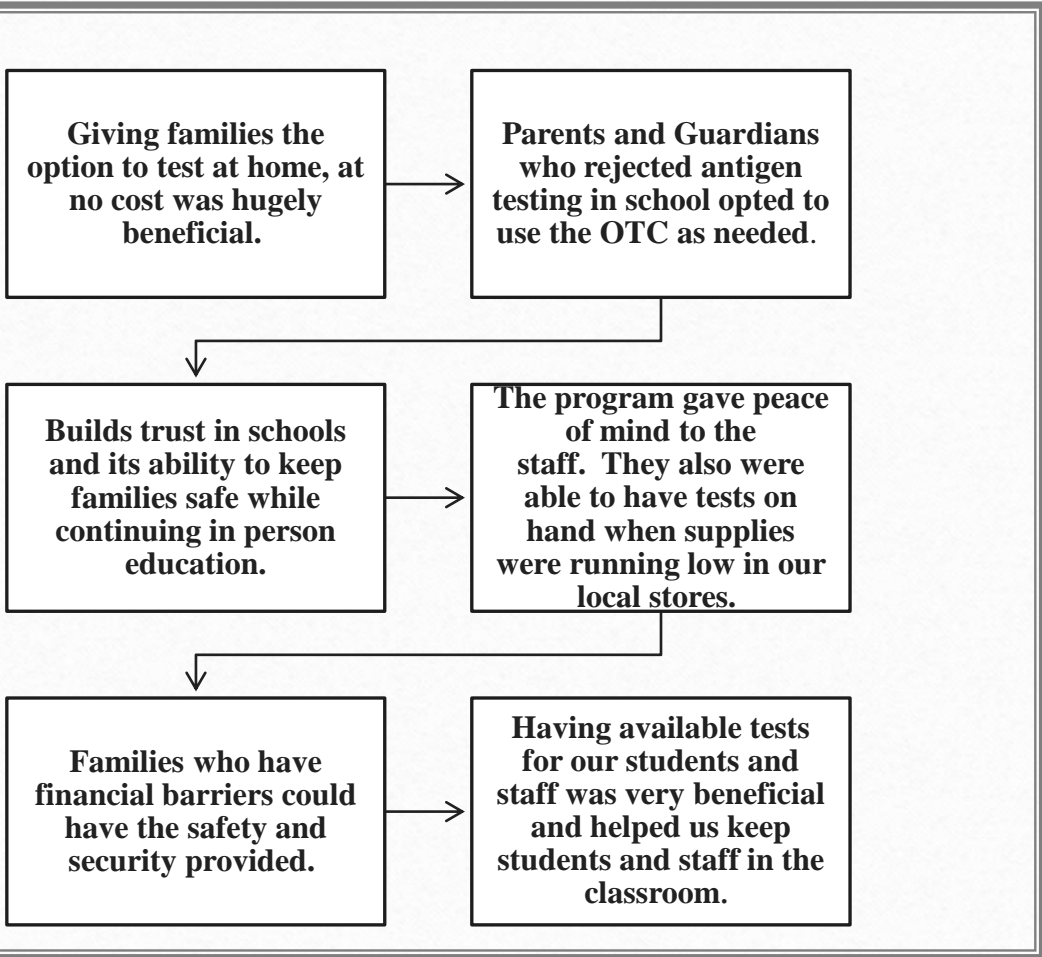
Schools interested in partnering with MDHHS in the MI Backpack program can visit the [MI Backpack Home Test Program \(michigan.gov\)](http://michigan.gov) webpage.



Upon enrollment MDHHS will provide the kits and educational materials, and schools will distribute the kits to students and staff who choose to participate.



Schools are required to develop their own test distribution process.



MI Backpack

Order Process: [MI Backpack Ordering Form.](#)

Obligations: MI Schools are not required to participate in the MI Backpack program.

Surveys: There will be an end of year survey leaders will receive to provide feedback about the program

MI Backpack Home Test Program VS MI Safe School Antigen Testing

MI Backpack Home Test Program

- At-home test kits
- Send home with staff & students
- No reporting required

MI Safe School Antigen Testing

- Point of care test
- Occurs at school by a trained professional
- Requires reporting

POLL #3



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[The Rockefeller Foundation - Project Act](#)



Health Resource Advocate (HRA) Program

- HRAs provide front-line support for COVID testing and reporting, help districts identify emerging COVID-related health concerns and amplify best health practices.
- This is a voluntary program, where COVID testing is just one element- the program is inclusive of an overall school specific mitigation strategy which also encompasses wellness services.



Health Resource Advocate (HRA) Program

- ❑ HRAs can be school nurses, social workers, community health workers, Masters of Public Health (MPH), new college grads, or others who are looking for an opportunity to get involved in the health/education of communities.
- ❑ HRA funding can also be used to support positions already carrying out duties specified under the HRA position descriptions.



HRA Program Reporting Requirements



The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) will require reporting on the status of the Health Resource Advocate (HRA) program quarterly.



The reporting template and due dates will be emailed to the designated point of contact and should be submitted to MDHHS-HRAreporting@michigan.gov by the dates outlined below.



Awardees will be required to submit an initial workplan prior to the start of the program.



How Can I use a Health Resource Advocate?

HRAs can be used to support health and safety challenges students may face, incorporating preventive measures, services, and developing health strategies. Schools must have testing strategy in place and participate in the MI Safe School Antigen testing program or participate in testing through private sources not provided by MDHHS.

HRAs can provide:

- Mental health services
- Nutrition and wellness services
- Health Education
- Potential Covid-19 Vaccines
- Any behavioral or educational instruction

HRAs cannot provide:

- Immunizations outside of COVID-19.
- Tasks that do not affect the outcome of reducing risk for COVID-19.



Health Resource Advocate (HRA) Program

Health Resource Advocate (HRA) Program Update

- Funding for the HRA Program for the 2022-2023 school year has now been allocated.
- HRA orientation meetings will occur on August 24th and 25th.
- HRA networking meetings will occur on a monthly basis moving forward-separate meeting for clinical HRAs.
- HRA quarterly reports should be sent to **MDHHS-HRAReporting@michigan.gov**.



Multiplex Overview

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) currently has a limited supply of multiplex test kits available for distribution to some local schools. The multiplex test, known as the BD Veritor™ Plus System, offers combined testing for COVID-19, Flu A, and Flu B.

The purpose of the Multiplex Testing Program (MTP) is to assess the benefit from testing for COVID-19 and Influenza in schools versus testing for COVID-19 only. Multiplex testing can provide quick and correct diagnosis while also providing the appropriate treatment path.

A small set of schools will be identified to participate in the MTP, based on need and other criteria. Multiplex Testing Program may **ONLY** be provided to schools that have a school-based health center or school-based nurse.



Reporting Expectations

COVID-19: Michigan Antigen Testing Results Portal

Influenza: Local Health Department Communicable Disease Division



Multiplex FAQ

How often should I use the Multiplex Tests?

Multiplex Tests are a great addition for school testing especially during Flu season. However, the Multiplex test is **NOT** intended to replace routine Antigen tests. Instead, Multiplex should only be used when a student, staff, or volunteer is physically presenting with symptoms of COVID-19 or Flu. (Mostly during Flu season)

How long should someone Isolate if they have been confirmed with the Flu?

Individuals with suspected or confirmed flu, who do **NOT** have a fever, should stay home from school for (5) days after the onset of symptoms. As persons with the flu are most contagious during the first 3 days of their illness. Individuals **WITH** a fever should isolate until fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing aides.

What is the quantity of Multiplex tests?

There are 30 tests that comes in one box.

For Multiplex Testing Next Steps...

Email

MDHHS-COVIDTestingSupport@michigan.gov

Mention Tiera DeFoe



Q&A

Please ensure you allow your peers the opportunity to ask questions. Limit question responses to **2-3 minutes**



Question #1

*Please raise your hand to answer the question or place your answer in the chat

1) How often do you plan to test at your school?



Question #2

*Please raise your hand to answer the question or place your answer in the chat

2) What additional support can the TCC team provide for your school to be more successful with testing this school year?



Question #3

*Please raise your hand to answer the question or place your answer in the chat

3) What are some barriers that your school community faced during testing? And how did you overcome them?



School Office Hours for 2022-2023 School Year

September 7, 2022

1st Wednesday of each month

2pm - 2:30pm





References

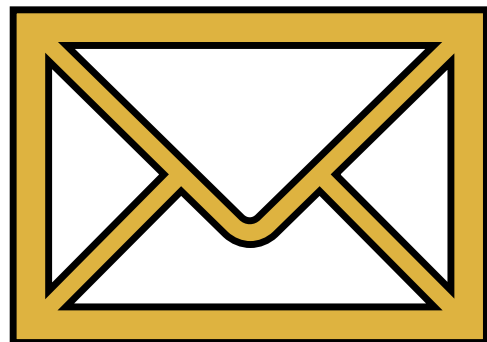
Reporting:

- [Reporting form](#)
- [MDHHS Rapid Antigen Testing Training Series](#)

Ordering:

- [MI Safe Schools: School DISTRICT Antigen COVID Test Ordering Form](#)
- [MI Safe School Dashboard](#)
- [MI Backpack Ordering Form](#)
- [Coronavirus - MI Backpack Home Test Program \(michigan.gov\)](#)
- [MI Safer Schools Guidance for Managing Students Exposed to COVID-19.pdf \(michigan.gov\)](#)
- [Operational Guidance for K-12 Schools and Early Care and Education Programs to Support Safe In-Person Learning | CDC](#)

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