



La Grange School District 105

Empowering students to make a difference in our world by assisting them to be self directed, passionate, lifelong learners.

District 105 continues to prepare for an eight week pilot **voluntary**, non-diagnostic COVID-19 saliva surveillance screening program. We are grateful that District 102 has offered the use of their lab at Barnsdale Road School.

What is a COVID-19 Non-Diagnostic Screener?

A COVID-19 screener is a non-diagnostic tool used to identify the need for further medical evaluation for COVID-19. This is especially helpful in asymptomatic individuals.

How is a screener different from a COVID-19 test?

A COVID-19 test is a diagnostic test used to confirm the virus.

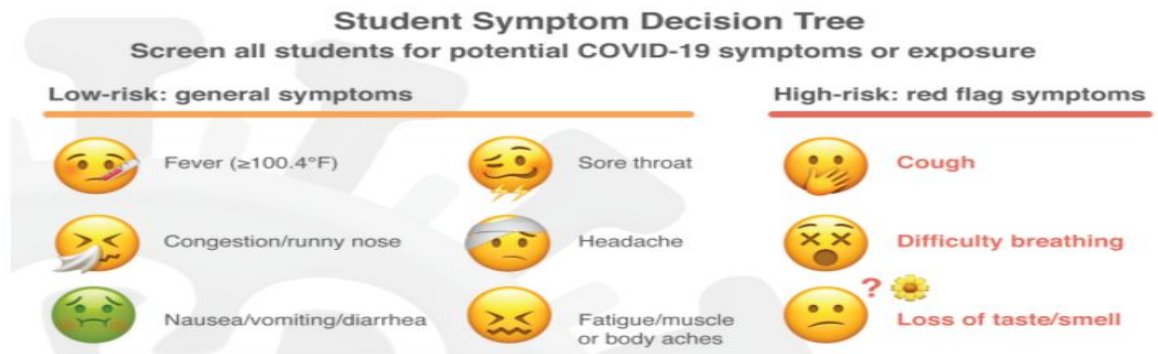
Why offer a saliva screener surveillance program?

- Identify results of clinical significance (potentially infectious individuals).
- Help slow the spread of COVID-19 in our school community by identifying those who may be infected with COVID-19 as early as possible in the course of illness and begin isolation before the infection can spread to others.
- Obtain results quickly (within a few hours)
- Assess participants to support our goal to safely bring back students after an extended break that may include travel (i.e. Thanksgiving, Winter Break).
- Potentially bring students and staff back to in-person learning with a low risk symptom after proper clinical evaluation Please see the graphic below from the Washington University Pediatric & Adolescent Ambulatory Research Consortium for specifics on minor and major symptom (<http://wupaarc.wustl.edu/COVID-19-and-Children/Algorithms-for-Clinicians-and-Schools/-School-based-Algorithm>).

Student Symptom Decision Tree

[PDF Version]

- Orscheln et al. *Practical School Algorithms for Symptomatic or SARS-CoV-2-Exposed Students are Essential for Returning Children to In-Person Learning*. *The Journal of Pediatrics*. Published online September 24, 2020.



Note: Since a fever is one of the most common symptoms in children, District 105 will treat a fever as a high-risk symptom.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/children/symptoms.html>

Is there a cost associated with the COVID-19 screening?

There is no fee for participating in the COVID-19 screening.

Do I need to show proof of insurance?

You do not need to show proof of insurance.

Who can participate in the screening?

The screening is being offered to all students(both in the remote and hybrid programs) and staff.

Is the screening mandatory?

No, the screening is optional but highly encouraged.

If I choose not to participate, can my child still be in the hybrid program?

Yes, the screening is optional.

How will samples be collected?

On their scheduled day for saliva collection, participants will receive a small manila envelope. In the envelope, participants will find a small straw and collection tube. To collect the sample, participants will insert the straw into the tube and spit or drool into the straw. A D105 staff member or volunteer will ensure that enough saliva is collected to run the screener for that individual. Please see the video below for a demonstration of the saliva collection process.

[Dr. Campbell's Saliva Collection Demonstration Video for D102](#)

All attendees must abide by CDC and IDPH guidelines including wearing a mask and keeping six feet of social distance.

When will the program begin?

To help kick-off the program, we will be offering saliva collection times on Saturday, October 17th for students with last names beginning with A-L, and Sunday, October 18th for students with last names beginning with M-Z. Samples will be collected anytime between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on both days. If you and your child cannot attend the weekend kick-off, we will begin following the schedule below on Monday, Oct. 19th. **For the first week only, it is essential to have a guardian present to sign a consent form for their child. An individual cannot participate in the voluntary program without a signed consent form.**

Note: Students in the full remote program with a last name beginning with A-L should attend on Saturday and last names beginning with M-Z on Sunday.

When will samples be collected?

Sample collection will follow the schedule below

- Monday- Pre-K, 1st, 6th and 7th and 8th
 - Immediately after school
- Tuesday-Pre-K, 1st 6th, 7th and 8th
 - Immediately after school
- Wednesday-All Grade Levels
 - Any time between 12:00 p.m.-4 p.m.
- Thursday-Kindergarten, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th

- Students in Blue Group immediately after school
- Friday-Kindergarten, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th
 - Students in Gold Group immediately after school
- Students in the full remote program with a last name beginning with A-L should follow the Blue Group schedule.
- Students in the full remote program with a last name beginning with M-Z should follow the Gold Group schedule.
- Staff can come in once a week during any of the scheduled testing times.

For some grade levels, the goal is eventually to shift the sample collection to at home.

NOTE: For each scheduled after school sample collection, samples will be collected from students riding the bus prior to children walking or getting picked up. Please note that children riding the bus will likely arrive home later than usual.

Where will the saliva collection take place

Saliva collection will take place at your child's home school.

Will results remain confidential?

Throughout the process, different sets of barcodes and labels are used to identify the sample. Only our school nursing staff have the information necessary to match a sample with a person. Nurses will make a call home only if a sample shows a result of potential clinical significance.

How will the samples be disposed of?

The inactivated saliva sample will be properly disposed of following testing.

What happens next if a result shows clinical significance?

Individuals with clinically significant results with no symptoms will not be able to attend in person learning until they show documentation of a negative diagnostic COVID-19 test result or stay at home for an isolation period of 10 days after the date of the positive diagnostic COVID-19 test. If symptoms develop during the isolation period, the isolation period would be extended to 10 days after the time symptoms start AND the individual must be fever free for 24 hours without use of fever reducing medication AND symptoms must have improved for return to in person learning.

Individuals with clinically significant results with COVID-19 symptoms will not be able to attend in person learning until they show documentation of a negative diagnostic COVID-19 test result, or submit a healthcare provider note showing an alternate diagnosis that is not COVID-19, or must stay at home for an isolation period of 10 days after the date the symptom(s) started AND the individual must be fever free for 24 hours without use of fever reducing medication AND symptoms must have improved for return to in person learning.

<https://www.isbe.net/Documents/IDPH-COVID19-Exclusion-Decison-Tree.pdf>

If results are clinically significant, where can an individual go for a COVID-19 test?

[IDPH and other Testing Sites](#)

University of Chicago Ingalls Hospital University of Chicago
 1 Ingalls Drive
 Harvey, IL 60426
 Phone: (708) 333-2300
 Call or online Triage or a physician order for drive-thru

Loyola Medicine Immediate Care
7617 W. North Ave.
River Forest, IL 60305
Phone: 888-584-7888
Physician order needed

Northwestern Medicine
For locations, please click the link below
<https://www.nm.org/-/media/Northwestern/Resources/care-areas/infectious-disease/northwestern-medicine-covid-19-testing-locations.pdf?la=en>
Call or online Triage for a physician order for drive-thru

Amita Health
For locations, please click the link below
<https://www.amitahealth.org/covid-19/#testing>
Physician Order needed for drive-thru

Edward-Elmhurst:
<https://www.eehealth.org/about-us/newsroom/news/2020/08/edward-elmhurst-opens-9-covid-testing-locations/>
Physician Order/Evaluation needed

Physician Immediate Care
For locations, please click link below:
<https://physiciansimmediatecare.com/locations/?location=60525>
Appointment for evaluation

If a result shows clinical significance, when can the person return to school?

One can return to school after:

- a negative COVID-19 test
or
- release from a physician
or
- 10 days from the date of the test if symptom free

What happens if an individual with COVID-19 symptom(s) has saliva screening result that is not clinically significant:

Individuals with COVID-19 symptom(s) with a saliva screening result that is not clinically significant:

High Risk Symptoms=New Cough,Shortness of Breath/Difficulty Breathing, New Loss of Sense of Taste/Smell, and Fever (100.4 F or greater).

Low Risk Symptoms=Sore Throat, New Congestion/Runny Nose, Abdominal Pain from Unknown Cause, Nausea, Vomiting, Diarrhea, New Onset of Moderate to Severe Headache, Fatigue from Unknown Cause, Muscle or Body Aches.

- If the individual has 1 low risk symptom and no known exposure risk (<https://www.isbe.net/Documents/IDPH-COVID19-Exclusion-Decison-Tree.pdf>) the individual may return in person when free of vomiting and diarrhea for 24 hours, and must have improvement in the symptom and must not have developed additional symptoms. The individual will also need to have two non-clinically significant saliva screening results prior to coming back to in-person learning.
- If the individual has 1 low risk symptom and a known exposure risk, he/she must remain at home until

he/she shows documentation of a negative diagnostic COVID-19 test result, or submits a healthcare provider note showing an alternate diagnosis, or must stay at home for an isolation period of 10 days after the date the symptom(s) started AND symptoms must have improved for return to in person learning. Diagnostic COVID-19 testing is strongly recommended.

- If the individual has 2 or more low risk symptoms or one or more high risk symptom, he/she must remain at home until he/she shows documentation of a negative diagnostic COVID-19 test result, or submits a healthcare provider note showing an alternate diagnosis, or must stay at home for an isolation period of 10 days after the date the symptom(s) started AND the individual must be fever free for 24 hours without use of fever reducing medication AND symptoms must have improved for return to in person learning. Diagnostic COVID-19 testing is strongly recommended.

Siblings/household contacts in all above scenarios must also remain at home unless COVID-19 is ruled out through diagnostic testing, the individual receives an alternate diagnosis from a healthcare provider or must remain in quarantine for 14 days after the last contact with the individual with symptom(s) or with a clinically significant saliva screening.