

School-Based Testing Pilot



In a recent poll by KDHE, your district indicated interest in on-site testing for COVID-19. KDHE has received a supply of Abbott BinaxNOW platforms for testing. This is a rapid, on-site antigen test that is appropriate for use for one of the two strategies outlined below. Please indicate which strategy your district is interested in pursuing (you can choose both) and answer the associated questions.

STRATEGY 1

Screening of asymptomatic and unexposed groups on a regular basis to detect infection for COVID-19 early.

Which group(s) below will you prioritize testing for? *(It is not feasible to test every student and staff person in every school building.)*

Staff, with priority given to staff with the most person-to-person interaction.

Students, with priority given to students with the most person-to-person interaction.

Staff and students involved in certain activities that aerosolize respiratory droplets more than other activities. (For example, staff/students participating in contact sports and activities like choir and cheer are more likely to generate respiratory droplets that can spread SARS-CoV-2.)

Vulnerable student populations and the staff that work with them.

Other (please describe):

KDHE recommends a screening testing strategy based on the county level percent positivity, which can be found on the [KDHE COVID-19 Dashboard](#) under the School Gating Metrics tab. The following are the recommended screening testing intervals based on county percent positivity the week prior to testing:

County Percent Positivity Rate in the Past Week	Minimum Screening Frequency
less than 5%	No screening testing recommended
5% to less than 10%	Twice per month
10% to less than 15%	Once per week
15% or more	Twice per week

Based on the above information, how often do you plan to test the priority groups indicated?

No screening testing at this time

Twice per month

Once per week

Twice per week

List the names and locations of the schools in your district in which you plan to have on-site screening available. If you plan to centralize screening testing at only a few locations for your whole district, please list those locations.

How many individuals will be tested at the frequency indicated on page 1?

In order to run this point of care testing, each testing site will need a CLIA certificate of waiver. Please indicate a point of contact who can work with the state laboratory to obtain a CLIA waiver:

Name of contact:

Email address of contact:

Each testing site will need to report all results to KDHE by entering patient information and test result into an online portal. Please indicate a point of contact who can work with the state to have results reported:

Name of contact:

Email address of contact:

STRATEGY 2

Diagnostic testing in students and staff who become ill with COVID-19 like symptoms during the school day.

List the names and locations of the schools in your district in which you plan to have on-site diagnostic testing available. If you plan to centralize screening testing at only a few locations for your whole district, please list those locations:

How many staff will potentially need access to on-site testing?

How many students will potentially need access to on-site testing?

In order to run this point-of-care testing, each testing site will need a CLIA certificate of waiver. Please indicate a point of contact who can work with the state laboratory to obtain a CLIA waiver:

Name of contact:

Email address of contact:

Each testing site will need to report all results to KDHE by entering patient information and test results into an online portal. Please indicate a point of contact who can work with the state to have results reported:

Name of contact:

Email address of contact:

Once completed, please save this form with your district number and email it to COVID-19@ks.gov.