

Test to Stay Program

What is Test to Stay?

Beginning, Monday, January 10, 2022, students now have an alternative to offsite quarantine with Test to Stay. Unvaccinated students identified as close contacts to a school related positive COVID case may remain in school if they receive a negative test daily between days 1-5, have no COVID-19 symptoms, and can wear a mask consistently and correctly.

Who is Eligible?

- Identified close contact who is not a household member
- Asymptomatic
- Unvaccinated
- Must be able to wear a mask

Two Options Now Available when identified as a close contact to a positive COVID case:

1. If you choose to follow the Test to Stay protocol:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a signed parent permission for testing on file • Remain symptom free • Receive a negative antigen test result each school day through day 5 after exposure date • Wear mask for all school settings and activities and distance as much as possible during school activities
2. If you choose to opt out of the Test to Stay protocol:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarantine from all activities through day 14 of exposure OR • Quarantine at home and return on day 6 if remain symptom free and can wear a mask. A negative test is strongly recommended prior to returning on day 6.

How Will Daily Testing Work for Test to Stay?

Students must get tested daily for five days after exposure to a positive COVID case. Accelerated Clinical Labs will provide free rapid antigen testing at school using a nose swab. If the rapid test is negative and the student remains symptom-free, they may remain in school. The testing itself takes a matter of seconds for each student and will easily fit into their day without disrupting learning. Testing helps to identify and isolate positive cases before they spread. In almost half of COVID cases, the individual does not experience symptoms but can still spread COVID-19, which is why testing close contacts regularly helps to prevent spread of COVID and keep our schools open safely.

What if My Student Tests Positive?

You will be contacted by the school, and your child will need to go home. All isolation guidelines will need to be followed. The Eau Claire City-County Health Department will also follow up with guidance.

All we need from you to opt-in to Test to Stay is a signed permission form for your student. Scan code to complete the form. A paper copy is also attached here and available at school.



https://ecasd.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eICtUgJoMyw1sF0

Consent Form for Eau Claire Area School District COVID-19 School Based Testing

The Eau Claire Area School District is using this form to receive your consent to test your child for COVID-19 and to share collected data with relevant authorities. You only need to complete this form once for each student.

What is the test?

With your consent, your child will receive a free diagnostic test for the virus that causes COVID-19. Collecting a specimen for testing involves inserting a small swab, similar to a cotton swab, into both nostrils. This will only occur if your child is identified as a close contact to a positive case or having symptoms while at school and you want them tested.

How will I find out about the results of the test?

If your child has a specimen collected for testing at school, you will be notified of the test result or informed of how the test result will be received (for example: by phone, text, or email).

What should I do when I receive my child's test results?

If the test is positive, this means that the virus was detected in your child's specimen. You will hear from the Eau Claire City/County Health Department or your child's school. You will be provided information about keeping your child home, following up with your health care provider, and when your child can return to school.

CONTACT INFORMATION – Completed by parent/guardian or student (if 18 years of age or older) – Please Print				
Student Last Name:		Student First Name:		MI:
Street Address:		City:	State: WI	Zip:
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY):	Age:	Student ID Number:	Sex: Male Female	
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Transgender – Male to Female <input type="checkbox"/> Transgender – Female to Male <input type="checkbox"/> Transgender – Unspecified or Gender Non-Specific <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to Answer <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____				
Race: (check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaskan Native <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> African American or Black <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to Answer <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Race <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____			Ethnicity: <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to Answer	
Parent / Legal Guardian Last Name:		Parent / Legal Guardian First Name:		Phone Number:

If your child's test results are negative, this means that the virus was not detected in your child's specimen at this time. You will be asked to follow the instructions provided by your child's school following this test result.

By signing below, I attest that:

- I have signed this form freely and voluntarily, and I am legally authorized to make decisions for the child named above.
- I consent that the school may notify my child of the test results.
- I consent for my child to be tested by Accelerated Clinical Labs. I understand that if my child is between the ages of 14-17, they will be asked to provide verbal consent to be tested.
- I understand that test results may be shared with the school, the ordering physician, county, and other local, state, and federal public health authorities, as well as other testing partners as permitted by law.
- I understand that if I am a student age 18 or older, or may otherwise legally consent for my own health care, references to "my child" refer to me and I may sign this form on my own behalf.

Visit the CDC's Coronavirus webpage for more information on the disease and keeping you and your family safe:
www.cdc.gov/coronavirus.

SIGNATURE – Parent/guardian or student (if 18 years of age or older)

Date Signed
