

# Join us as we take the #TestingPledge to keep our school community safe!

## What is COVID-19?



The virus that causes COVID-19 can spread through respiratory droplets when an infected person is nearby. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after someone is exposed to the

virus. Some people who are infected may not ever show symptoms, which is why everyone who is not vaccinated should take preventive measures and get tested regularly when available.

## What is a COVID-19 test?



A quick test - a simple painless anterior nose swab that will determine whether you have the virus that causes COVID-19. Your student will be tested with the

CareStart COVID-19 antigen test that can detect the virus within 15 minutes. If the antigen test result is positive, a confirmatory PCR test will be given, and results will be available in 30 minutes.

## Why is our school testing?

The State of Hawaii Department of Education and Department of Health are committed to the safe re-opening of our school system and seek to develop safety measures and protocols to ensure the safety of our communities. As part of the 2021-2022 school year, we will be offering voluntary **free weekly COVID-19 Antigen testing**. This testing will lower the risk of spread of COVID-19 by helping to identify those positive cases in people who do not show any symptoms of COVID-19.

## Will my student have to miss class to be tested?

The testing itself takes a matter of seconds for each student and will easily fit into their day without disrupting learning. Weekly testing helps to identify and isolate positive cases before they spread. Minimizing spread in school helps keep our school open and all our students in class more often!

## What if my student tests positive?

If your student's confirmatory PCR test is positive, we will ask your student to quarantine at home while any needed confirmatory tests are performed. We'll be in touch to discuss medical care and other support for your student and your family.

## What if someone in my student's class tests positive?

If your student was exposed to someone who has COVID-19, we will call you and discuss if your student needs to stay home to be safe. A

COVID-19 test after a few days will determine if your student is infected and needs to quarantine and seek care, or if they can safely return to class.



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