

## **Yellow Zone Testing Q and A**

LK, LT, LP, NC, WG, NHS and Chestnut Grove District Office

### **1. Where can I get my child, or myself as a staff member, tested?**

You can find a testing location at the the following website:

<https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/find-test-site-near-you>

Or call NYS COVID-19 hotline at 1-888-364-3065.

You can also call your healthcare provider or pediatrician to see if they have testing available.

If you go to a test site run by New York State, there is never any charge for your test. If you go to a test site operated by local governments, private companies including pharmacies and medical practices or not-for-profit organizations, you are advised to check with the testing site and your insurer in advance of being tested to confirm you will not be responsible for any fees associated with your test.

Anthony Wayne Recreation Center offers free testing.

Exit 17 Palisades Parkway, Bear Mountain, NY 10911

(888) 364-3065

Appointment Required

### **2. Where is the data going?**

Lab results will be posted in a NYS Department of Health database and will not include student or staff demographic data, but only the test results.

### **3. In order to comply with the 20% testing rate, is there a mandatory type of testing required by the state or could a parent or staff member opt for an oral swab rather than the nasal swab?**

There is no mandatory type of test for the purpose of Yellow Zone testing. Any diagnostic test administered by a state or local health department or healthcare professional will do. Please note an antibody test is not a diagnostic test and therefore not acceptable.

### **4. How will parents or staff notify the District that they have been tested?**

Your testing location will need to provide you an email or paper confirmation of the test being taken. It should include the name of the student or staff member, school, date and location of the test. This should be emailed to [Covidtest@ccsd.edu](mailto:Covidtest@ccsd.edu)

### **5. How will parents or staff notify the District of the test results?**

If the result is positive, contact Coordinator of Health Services Sue Sherlock immediately at [ssherlock@ccsd.edu](mailto:ssherlock@ccsd.edu) or (845) 825-2074. If the result is negative, send them to [Covidresults@ccsd.edu](mailto:Covidresults@ccsd.edu)

**6. Can students who are fully remote learners volunteer to take tests?**

No, this requirement is for in-person students, staff and teachers.

**7. Do students have to stay home while waiting for test results for the purposes of Yellow Zone Testing?**

For the purposes of Yellow Zone Testing, students or staff members do not need to stay home as long as they do not exhibit symptoms of COVID-19. The District requires a negative PCR (molecular) lab test for children, faculty and staff who exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 before they can return to school.

**8. How long is the Yellow Zone designation supposed to last?**

Under the current requirements, the Yellow Zone designation will last until the positivity rate of the zone decreases, and the state removes the designation. However, if the results of the testing over the first two weeks reveal that the positivity rate among in-person students, teachers and staff is lower than the Yellow Zone's current 7-day positivity rate, testing at the school does not have to continue. If not, the testing will continue when hybrid instruction resumes in January.