

Mark West Union School District

COVID TESTING FRAMEWORK

2023

The Mark West Union School District prioritizes the health and safety of our staff and students by following the most recent CDPH and Sonoma County Department of Health guidelines; including those for testing.

<p><u>Testing of Symptomatic Staff/Students</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We ask that all symptomatic staff and students <i>stay home</i> if they are ill. A negative COVID-19 test is required prior to their return. A student's result is submitted to the school site Office Manager. • If a student becomes symptomatic at school, they are sent home and required to provide a negative COVID-19 test result prior to return • If a staff member becomes symptomatic at school, they are provided an OTC test in order to provide results in the immediate
<p><u>Testing Availability</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We provide OTC test kits to our staff and families on an as needed basis and will continue to do so as long as supplies allow • We continue to secure OTC test kits provided by the CDPH through SCOE • All sites are provided a supply of OTC tests to keep on hand in the event that they are needed
<p><u>Increased Mitigation Testing Requirements</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As required by the CDPH/SCDPH, if a classroom reaches a level of 3 positive cases in a 14 day period, increased mitigation efforts are implemented. These efforts include the requirement for all students and staff, associated with the classroom, to test the evening of notification and submit the results to the school office manager by 9:00am the following morning. Testing kits are provided to each student in order to fulfill the requirement. Office Managers follow up on results that were not received.
<p><u>General Exposure Notification and Recommendation for Testing</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following notification of a positive case in a classroom, parents/guardians of the students in the class receive a General Exposure Notification recommending that their child test between Days 3 - 5 following their exposure. Site staff members receive a separate notification with the same information.

<p><u>Testing Guidance Following an Extended Break</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Mark West Union School District provides OTC test kits to all staff and students prior to an extended break (ie: Winter Break, Spring Break, etc.) with the requirement to test within 24 hours of their return to school
<p><u>Notification of Testing Availability</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Periodically, the district receives information regarding the ability for our staff and families to order free test kits. When this information is received, our staff and families are notified and links are provided by the District COVID Coordinator via email.

Questions and information regarding testing protocols in the Mark West Union School District may be addressed to:

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