

K-12 Quarantine Alternative Pilot Program Parent or Guardian Consent

Your child may participate in the K-12 Quarantine Alternative Pilot Program. Please read this form carefully.

If your child is a **direct contact** and you do not agree to have your child tested as part of the K-12 Quarantine Alternative Pilot Program, you must follow standard quarantine policies.

What is considered direct contact?

Direct contacts for COVID-19 are those individuals who are identified as being directly exposed to a person with COVID-19. **In school, direct contact is defined as unmasked and/or unvaccinated individual within 3 feet of the person with COVID-19 for at least 15 minutes.** The CDC has established a one barrier standard to avoid a contact tracing quarantine. **Any individual with one or both barriers does not need to quarantine:**

1. Vaccination
2. Wear a Mask (covering nose and mouth)

Why am I receiving this form?

You are receiving this form because your child had direct exposure to a positive case of COVID-19 at school. Your child is eligible for the K-12 Quarantine Alternative Pilot Program.

What will happen to my child during the K-12 Quarantine Alternative Pilot Program?

This pilot uses mask wearing and frequent testing to keep healthy students in school and keep sick students at home. School will continue as usual during the pilot.

The standard quarantine (student not participating in Pilot Program) for students identified as direct contacts is ten days at home from the date of last exposure. Families have the choice to have their child tested, using a PCR or antigen test on or after day 5, from a health care provider. The results would need to be emailed to jroyalty@wayne-local.com or faxed to (513) 897-2713. If the test is negative and the child remains symptom free, they can return to school on day 8. Students and parents will monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 for a full 14 days after the date of last exposure.

A student identified as a direct contact has the option to participate in the K-12 Quarantine Alternative Pilot Program. Families who opt into the Pilot Program will adhere to the following requirements to allow their child or children to continue to attend school:

1. The student wears a mask indoors for at least seven days.
2. The student maintains social distance from others.
3. The student tests twice for COVID-19 through the school's testing program during the seven days following exposure.

4. Each test must be negative for the student to remain in school.
5. The student must remain symptom-free to remain in school.
6. During the quarantine period, the student cannot participate in extracurricular activities. The program is intended to keep students in school. Outside of the school day, the health department expects the individual to quarantine at home.

How often will the children be tested?

If a child is a direct contact, the child will be tested two times. The first test will be given immediately upon identification that the student is a direct contact of a positive case after the parent or guardian has completed this form. The second test will be conducted on days 5-7 after the last day of exposure.

Will I get the results of any tests performed on my child?

Yes, you will get your child's test result if they are tested. Your child's test results will not be shared with any other parents or students.

What will happen if my child has a positive coronavirus test?

If your child has a positive test, the child will need to isolate and stay home from school. You will need to keep your child in isolation and away from other children and other family members as much as possible. And you'll need to wear a mask to protect yourself when you are close to your child. Isolation can last up to 10 days after a positive COVID-19 test. The local health department will give you more information if this happens.

What are the risks of this pilot?

Children who are found to be direct contacts even though they are wearing masks might have COVID-19. They might expose other children to COVID-19. By testing these children twice, if they do have COVID-19, they will be found quickly and will then be required to isolate and stay home. This way, the risks to other children are reduced.

The swab test may be uncomfortable for your child while it is being performed but this is uncommon.

Can I withdraw consent for my child's participation?

Yes. You can withdraw consent for your child to participate at any time.

If I want more information, who should I contact?

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TERMS

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1.	Parent/Guardian attests that Student is not at an enhanced risk of developing serious complications from COVID-19 (such as asthma, diabetes, sickle cell or similar underlying health conditions).	
2.	Parent/Guardian and Student agree to conduct a complete daily symptom assessment prior to school attendance every school day.	
3.	Parent/Guardian agrees Student shall stay at home if experiencing ANY of the following symptoms: fever (100°F or higher), chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea.	
4.	Parent/Guardian and Student agree that Student shall consistently and properly wear a medical grade mask for a period of the quarantine except where masking is impossible (lunchtime).	
5.	Parent/Guardian and Student agree that Student shall take additional precautions to protect other students from exposure to respiratory droplets during lunch periods, as instructed by the building administration.	
6.	Parent/Guardian shall ensure Student is tested for COVID-19 twice in a manner consistent with the pilot program's guidelines and shall retain full documentation of all tests and results.	
7.	Parent/Guardian shall immediately report any positive COVID-19 test results of either Student or any member of Student's immediate family to the school nurse. Thereafter, Student shall comply with all isolation and quarantine procedures from department of health officials.	
8.	During the quarantine period, the student cannot participate in extracurricular activities.	

WAIVER

1. Parent/Guardian expressly agrees to comply with the above terms and restrictions and to accept responsibility for communicating with district staff as appropriate to allow compliance with all health and safety requirements.
2. In exchange for the Board allowing the Student to participate in the pilot program described above, the undersigned Parent/Guardian hereby assumes all risks of participation to their child and themselves, including those set forth above. The undersigned hereby releases, discharges, and/or waives any and all liability, claims, damages, causes of action and/or demands against the Wayne Local School District Board of Education ("Board") and all its employees, of every kind and nature which may arise from or in connection with the program. The undersigned further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Board and its employees from any claim arising out of or related to the Student's participation in the pilot program.
3. Parent/Guardian and Student understand that Student's participation in the program described above is conditioned upon Student complying with all federal, state, local, and Board orders, rules, and policies both current and as amended/updated, including but not limited to those related to health, safety, and/or the spread of contagious disease, including but not limited to COVID-19 and any related or derivative disease or condition and that this participation may be revoked at any time.

CONSENT

Wayne Local School District is participating in a pilot program that will allow students to return to school immediately as long as student remains compliant with specific masking, monitoring and testing obligations.

Parent/Guardian of Student hereby grants consent for Student to participate in the pilot program and agrees to comply with all terms and conditions set forth above and in any attached pilot program documents be allow my child to be tested twice for COVID-19.

By signing below, the undersigned Parent/Guardian acknowledge that they have read, understand, and voluntarily agree to the above terms, conditions, and waiver.

NAME OF CHILD: _____

PRINT NAME OF PARENT GRANTING CONSENT: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT GRANTING CONSENT: _____

Abbott BinaxNOW Rapid Antigen In-school Professional Test Kit

The In-school Test Kit is designed to be administered on-site by a trained professional. The school is responsible for obtaining CLIA laboratory waivers, provider orders for tests, and reporting the results to local authorities.

1. Schools will provide the following:
 - a. On-site testing location
 - b. Test administrator
 - c. Validation and reporting of test results to local authorities.

2. The student process may vary for each school but will include:
 - a. The first test will be conducted on the first available testing time after knowledge of exposure to the positive case and after the consent form is completed by the parent or/guardian.

 - b. The student is administered a second test on days 5-7 (five to seven) of the last exposure.

 - c. Schools will verify and track student participation and test results.

 - d. If the test result is positive, the information will be provided to the local health department and the student must not return to school until he/she is no longer infectious, as advised by the local health department.

 - e. During this period, the student should be monitoring for symptoms of COVID for a full 14 days.

How does the Abbott BinaxNOW Rapid Antigen Home Test Kit work?

The test being used is called the “BinaxNOW COVID-19 Ag Card”. It is made Abbott Laboratories. The test detects tiny pieces of the coronavirus called proteins. The test can be performed quickly with results in about 20 minutes. There is an at-home version of the test, as well as a professional version for any testing that needs to be administered at school. For the at home version, a parent/guardian should create an account using Abbott’s NAVICA app on a smart phone or at their website and then create a managed profile for any child who will be testing. Testing is initiated by going to ohio.emed.com.

Abbott BinaxNOW Rapid Antigen Test Sensitivity and Specificity:

According to FDA documents, the BinaxNOW gave a positive result 84.6% of the time compared to PCR. Additional studies indicate a lower percentage at 78.6% for asymptomatic individuals. Adding serial testing (more than 1 test) will capture additional false negatives, approaching PCR test rates.

The Home Test Kit provides one rapid antigen test for COVID-19 to be used at home with a telehealth provider. All families using the home test kit should follow the Ohio Department of Health User Guide: Abbott BinaxNOW COVID-19 Ag Card Home Test Kit – User Guide

Procedures for administering the At-Home Test Kit:

1. The school will provide two Abbott BinaxNOW COVID-19 Ag Card Home Test kits to students who qualify for the pilot program.
2. The school will provide two testing dates to the student and parent or guardian:
 - a. The first test will be conducted as soon as the school is able upon knowledge of exposure to the positive case.
 - b. The second test will be conducted on days 5 to 7 after exposure.
3. For each test, the student’s parent or guardian will login or create a NAVICA account, including managed profiles for each of their students that are participating in the pilot program.
4. Parents or guardians will go to ohio.emed.com to start the testing process.
5. Parents will follow the instructions provided by eMed and administer the test under the guidance of the eMed telehealth provider/proctor.
6. eMed will verify test results and explain the results of the test.
7. If the test result is positive, the information will be provided to the local health department and the student must not return to school until he/she is no longer infectious, as advised by the local health department.
8. Test results are emailed to the parent/guardian and are available on the NAVICA app.
9. The parent or guardian will provide a copy of the test results to the school.
10. Schools will verify and track student participation and test results.
11. Schools will report any positive cases to the local health department as they are made aware of the positive test result.

Tests performed without a telehealth visit do NOT satisfy testing requirements of the K-12 Alternative Quarantine Pilot Program.