

COVID-19 Testing to Permit Return to School after Symptoms – Quick Guide

The following criteria for testing **mildly symptomatic** students and staff to return to school is now permissible by the NYSDOH's "Updated Testing and Quarantine Supplemental Information" (October 27, 2021) as long as the County Local Health Department is willing to adopt any of the practices.

Currently, the only practice that will be implemented in Wayne County is Section II. "COVID-19 Testing to Permit Return to School after Symptoms".

Fully Vaccinated or Recently Infected (within 90 days) Students and Staff – with mild symptoms

- Individual is fully vaccinated (at least 2 weeks has passed since the administration of the last dose of the primary COVID-19 Vaccination series)
 - Staff
 - Pfizer – 2 doses
 - Moderna – 2 doses
 - J&J – 1 dose
 - Students (5 -17)
 - Pfizer – 2 doses
- May be tested by the School District or a community Medical Provider
 - Rapid Antigen Test
 - i.e. Binax NOW Rapid Test Card
 - NAAT (Nucleic Acid Amplified Test), also known as molecular or PCR
 - i.e. Quadrant, Abbott ID Now Rapid Testing machines
- **NEGATIVE Test Results must be received.**
- May return to school as long as symptoms are improving and fever free for 24 hours without medication, as per school protocols.

Unvaccinated Students and Staff – with mild symptoms

- May be tested by the School District or a community Medical Provider
 - Must have a NAAT (Nucleic Acid Amplified Test), also known as molecular or PCR
 - i.e. Quadrant, Abbott ID Now Rapid Testing machines, etc.
- **NEGATIVE Test Results must be received.**
- May return to school as long as symptoms are improving and fever free for 24 hours without medication, as per school protocols.

Negative Home Tests are not allowed.