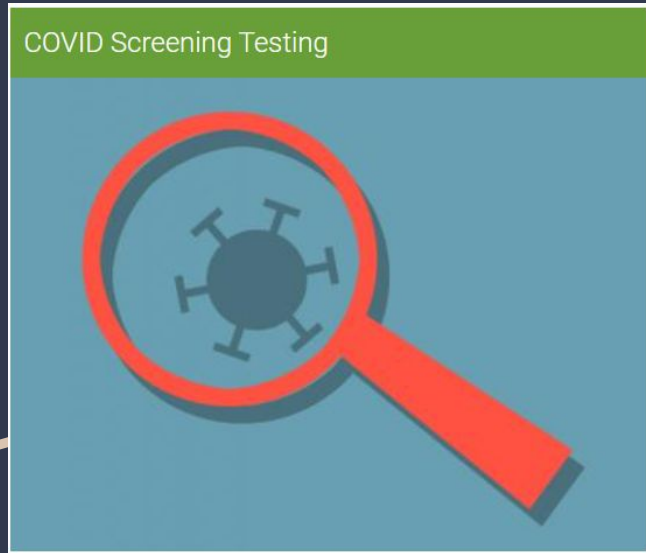


SPS COVID Testing Policies and Pooling Protocol

March 22, 2021

Navigating COVID Screening Testing Webpage



Information on the SPS Website

- General Information
- Testing Schedule across schools
- Videos on Testing
- SPS COVID Dashboard
- How Testing Works
- Post-Test Instructions & Results
Communication Expectations
- Positive Result Scenarios
- Glossary of Key Terms
- FAQ

somerville.k12.ma.us/transition

Baseline Schedule

| Wednesday Baseline Testing March 17, 24, 31 • Apr 7, 14 Please attend during the designated times according to last name if possible. | | |
|--|--|--|
| Last Name Begins With | Morning Hours Kennedy or East Somerville | Afternoon Hours Kennedy or East Somerville |
| A-F | 7:00-8:00 AM | 2:00-3:00 PM |
| G-M | 8:00-9:00 AM | 3:00-4:00 PM |
| N-Z | 9:00-10:00 AM | 4:00-5:00 PM |
| Walk-In (A-Z) | | 5:00-6:00 PM |

- A baseline test is the first test provided to each new group of students and staff returning for in-person learning.
- For most people, the only individual test they will receive
- What you need to baseline:
 - Consent form signed
 - Testing week before return

[Student Consent Form](#)

[Staff Consent Form](#)

[New Tester Registration](#)

Baseline Schedule By Cohort

| GRADES | COHORT | BASELINE | START DATE |
|--------|----------------------|----------|----------------|
| PK & K | Cohort A (Mon/Tue) | March 17 | March 25 (THU) |
| | Cohort B (Thurs/Fri) | March 24 | March 26 (FRI) |
| 1 & 2 | Cohort A (Mon/Tue) | March 31 | April 5 (MON) |
| | Cohort B (Thurs/Fri) | March 24 | March 31 (WED) |
| 3-6 | Cohort A (Mon/Tue) | April 7 | April 12 (MON) |
| | Cohort B (Thurs/Fri) | April 7 | April 8 (THU) |
| 7-8 | Cohort A (Mon/Tue) | April 14 | April 15 (THU) |
| | Cohort B (Thurs/Fri) | April 14 | April 16 (FRI) |

Consent Forms



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

School Name
City, State

AUTORIZAÇÃO DOS PAIS / TUTORES PARA ADMINISTRAÇÃO DE TESTE DE FISCALIZAÇÃO DE COVID-19 DURANTE A ESCOLA

Ao preencher e assinar este formulário, confirmo que sou o pai ou responsável adequado e autorizo a cidade de Somerville a realizar um teste COVID-19 em meu filho durante o horário escolar ou pós-escola semanalmente a partir de 1º de janeiro de 2021 e estendendo-se até 31 de julho de 2021. O Conselho de Saúde de Somerville aprovou uma ordem em 2 de novembro de 2020 exigindo que as Escolas Públicas de Somerville administrassem testes COVID-19 contínuos de professores, funcionários, alunos e quaisquer outros indivíduos que prestassem serviços em edifícios escolares.

NOME DO ALUNO: _____ DATA DE NASCIMENTO _____

ENDEREÇO: _____ Cidade: _____ Cep: _____

Pai / responsável e contato de emergência:

Nome do pai/responsável: _____ Parentesco com o aluno: _____

Endereço de e-mail: _____ Telefone: _____

Nome da segunda pessoa de contato: _____ Parentesco com o aluno _____

Endereço de e-mail: _____ Telefone: _____

Programa de teste e resultados

Paper copy: Backup at testing site
Not preferred

Commitment to In Person Learning and Acknowledgement of SPS COVID Agreements

Thank you for your support as we continue to navigate the transitions back to in person learning. We are excited for our students to return to in-person learning with their teachers and classmates. There are a few documents/information that are critical for our families to review before sending students back to school in the coming weeks. Any questions or concerns related to this document - please contact your principal.

NOTE: Students who do not have up-to-date immunizations will not be able to return to in person learning. If you are unsure of your status, please contact the school nurses.

* Required

Email address *

Your email _____

Digital Copy: Preferred
Easy to track responses

Schedule March 22-26

| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY BASELINE | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| SHS | | 7:00-12:00 | | 8:00-9:30 | 7:00-12:00 |
| Argenziano | | 8:00-9:30 2:30-3:30 | | 8:00-9:30 | 7:00-9:30 3:45-4:15 |
| Brown | 3:45-4:30 | | | 3:45-4:30 | |
| Capuano | | 8:30-11:00 | | 8:30-11:00 | 8:30-11:00 |
| ESCS | 2:30-3:30 | 8:00-9:30 | 7:00-10:00AM 2:00-6:00PM | 8:00-9:30 2:30-3:30 | 8:00-9:30 |
| Healey | | 8:00-9:30 2:30-3:30 | | 8:00-9:30 | 8:00-9:30 2:30-3:30 |
| Kennedy | 2:30-3:30 | 8:00-9:30 | 7:00-10:00AM 2:00-6:00PM | 8:00-9:30 2:30-3:30 | 8:00-9:30 |
| WSNS | | 8:00-9:30 2:30-3:30 | | 8:00-9:30 | 8:00-9:30 2:30-3:30 |
| WHCIS | | 2:30-3:30 | | | 2:30-3:30 |

Who gets which test?

Pool Test

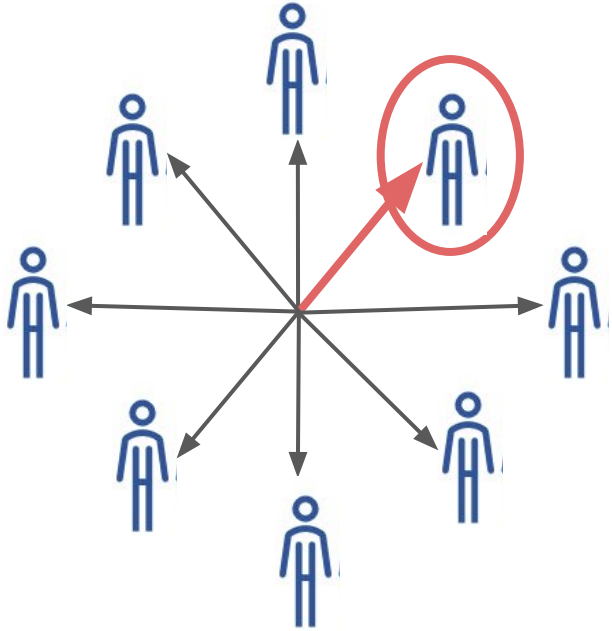
- All students and most staff
- Classroom educators pool with their students
- Non-classroom staff, including nurses & custodians, can combine randomly in pools, daily and weekly

Individual Tests

- New baselines as students/staff return
- Staff who work directly with students across schools or classrooms (physical therapists)
- Individuals who need to reflex test

Individuals should NOT test 90 days after testing POSITIVE for COVID-19

Who gets which test?



Reflex Testing

- Will occur when PCR pool test results are known (typically day following testing)
- Staff/students will receive BinaxNOW rapid antigen test (~15 min) and PCR confirmation
- Negative result = cleared to return to class/work

How many tests per week?

Twice Weekly

- All staff should test twice weekly on Tuesday and Thursday

Once Per Week

- All students

Classrooms pool together

- Each pool must be between 2-10 individuals.
- All students and educators in a classroom will pool test together
- If a classroom has more than 10 individuals, then the class will be split into two pools.
- If there are more than two pools in a class, participants inside a classroom do not need to remain in the same pool from week to week.
- Principals are responsible for developing a schedule for pool testing of classrooms.