



CHECKLIST

K-8 SCHOOLS & HIGH SCHOOLS



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LESSONS LEARNED ABOUT COVID-19 TESTING STRATEGIES

Has your school developed a comprehensive COVID-19 prevention and testing strategy based on the “key points” identified by the CDC under its Operational Strategy for K-12 Schools through Phased Prevention, to safely facilitate “in-person learning” for all K-12 students, teachers, and staff?

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/operation-strategy.html#anchor_1616080084165

Is your school using the current “Community Indicator Level” to make an informed decision regarding a COVID-19 testing strategy? <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>

Does your school’s COVID-19 testing strategy include redundancies and mitigation steps to meet the CDC’s recommendations based on the four Indicators & Thresholds for Community Transmission of COVID-19?

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/operation-strategy.html#anchor_1616080121423

Low Transmission (Blue): 0-9 total new case of SARS-CoV-2 per 100K or <5% of NAATs that are positive during the past 7 days

Moderate Transmission (Yellow): 10-49 total new case of SARS-CoV-2 per 100K or 5% to 7.9% of NAATs that are positive during the past 7 days

Substantial Transmission (Orange): 50-99 total new case of SARS-CoV-2 per 100K or 8% to 9.9% of NAATs that are positive during the past 7 days

High Transmission (Red): > 100 total new case of SARS-CoV-2 per 100K or >10% of NAAT’s that are positive during the past 7 days

Note: NAAT stands for Nucleic Acid Amplification Test

Has your school reviewed the K-12 National Action Testing Program (NATP) developed by The Rockefeller Foundation to compare different testing strategies?

https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/K-12-NTAP_FINAL.pdf

Does your school have sufficient staff to accommodate fluctuations in testing volumes based on the ‘Community Indicator Level’, or is the school looking to outsource testing collection to licensed medical professionals?

Does your school have sufficient staff to conduct contact tracing if an outbreak occurs, or is your school looking to outsource to Contact Tracers who have completed one of the public certification courses (i.e., Johns Hopkins)?

Do your school administrators and school nursing staff have access to technology that links Antigen Rapid Tests used for screening, and RT-PCR Tests used to establish a base-line result (or as a confirmatory test) to the same individual?

Does your school have technology that can show all tests per grade, homeroom, or extracurricular activity to immediately react to a positive result and take necessary steps to reduce potential exposure?

Has your school implemented a daily health assessment questionnaire to capture the real-time health status of its students, teachers, and staff as a preventative measure to identify coronavirus symptoms and take appropriate mitigation steps?

Are your test results and daily health survey linked to a Smart Badge with QR code to identify positives and/or at-risk individuals?

Does your school monitor students, teachers, and staff at the entrance of buildings and residence halls to determine entry based on the color of your QR code? For example, green QR code for “cleared” or red QR code for “not cleared.”

Has your school secured funding from the federal government (i.e., HHS), your state government, or other private institutions to expand its testing options for in-person learning to meet the recommendations from the CDC for **Additional COVID-19 Prevention Strategies in Schools**?

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/operation-strategy.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fcommunity%2Fschoools-childcare%2Fschoools.html#anchor_1616080170110

Does your school consider certified diversity vendor spend as an important component when sourcing testing supplies and services?

Is your school looking to outsource its testing requirements to multiple vendors or one vendor that can streamline the entire process?

Does your school need both COVID-19 testing services and vaccine administration from a single source vendor?




DOWNLOAD OR PRINT THIS CHECKLIST TO SHARE WITH YOUR SCHOOL'S ADMINISTRATORS WHEN DEVELOPING YOUR SCHOOL'S COMPREHENSIVE COVID-19 PREVENTION & TESTING STRATEGY.

To receive a free, personalized **COVID-19 Prevention & Testing Solutions consult**, please visit our website at spartanmedspine.com/covid-19-solutions/k-8-schools-and-public-private-high-schools to complete our brief online questionnaire with some basic information pertaining to your school's testing requirements.

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