



Basic Elements of MDHHS Rapid Testing Program

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, in partnership with the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Michigan's schools, and Michigan's local health departments, has announced a limited program for spring athletes ages 13-19 to practice and compete this spring by adhering to strict COVID-19 safety protocols beginning on April 2nd, 2021.

Requirements to Participate

- Student athletes, coaches, parents/guardians, staff, and school administrators must be willing to meet participation criteria. This is voluntary but if you choose not to participate in testing, you can not participate in athletics.
- Participants must agree to a [Code of Conduct](#) and [Consent Form](#), including cooperation with contact tracing, social distancing, and other COVID-19 safety precautions
- Participants must be tested once a week to be eligible to participate in practices and competitions.
- Participants exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms must self-isolate and may not play
- Participating administrators must report both negative and positive test results after each test.
- Results and documents may be audited by MDHHS or LHDs

Who gets tested?

- Students and staff must be tested once a week to be eligible to participate in practices and competitions.
- Students and staff must stay home if they are symptomatic. Please follow up with a PCR test.

Who will be administering the tests each week?

- This will be a group of trained individuals from RCS school nurses, ATC, Athletic Department, coaches and other support staff that have gone through the BinaxNow COVID-19 AG training sessions. Each student-athlete is responsible for swabbing their own nose in front of their tester.

Testing Calendars

- The calendar will be determined by the coach and the Athletic Department. If an individual misses a test day, that individual needs to make sure to contact the coach/athletic department to see if a test is available, this will not always be the case. Our tentative dates are:
 - Monday April 5th 10am-1pm (if they are having athletic activities that week)
 - Monday April 12th students can come to Lunch Periods or 2:10pm-3:30pm
 - Friday April 23rd students can come to Lunch Periods or 2:10pm-3:30pm
 - Dates in May will be published soon if needed.

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Test Preview

- [BinaxNow COVID-19 AG Test Overview](#)
- [BinaxNow COVID-19 AG Test Overview - 2](#)

Test Results

- All test results are reported back to the MDHHS via their reporting site, regardless if they are positive or negative by the Athletic Department.
- RCS and MHSAA would be alerted of any confirmed positive cases by the PCR follow up test.

Test Result Scenarios

- Negative Rapid Antigen Test: Individual can participate and continue with testing protocols
- Positive Rapid Antigen Test: Individual cannot participate and will be sent home ASAP. The individual must follow up with a PCR test to confirm results within 48 hours of receiving a positive rapid antigen test. If PCR confirms results, the Athletic Department must be alerted & given a copy of the positive results, the individual will be quarantined for 10 days.
- I Have Symptoms: Please stay home. Individuals cannot participate and will be sent home ASAP. The individual should follow up with a PCR test to confirm symptoms.
- Close contact to a positive test: Individuals cannot participate and will be sent home ASAP. Follow quarantine guidance from Macomb County Health Department
- If the participant has recovered from COVID-19 within the last 90 days (with a confirmed diagnostic test), they can produce a doctor's note and they will be exempt from rapid testing. An antibody test result is insufficient.
- Other requirements, such as wearing a mask during play, still apply. Participants who have had COVID19 greater than 90 days ago must still be rapid tested.

Questions??

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