

Funding Plan

ELC Reopening Schools

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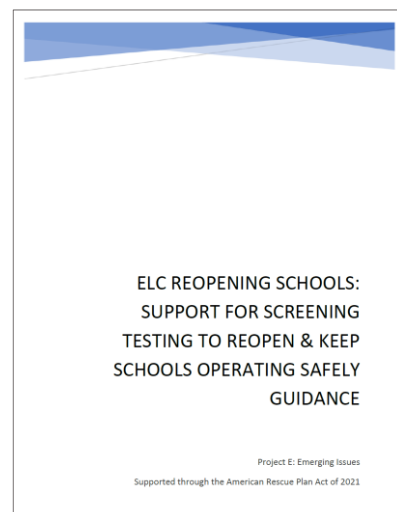
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Background

DPH received \$320 million to implement school-based testing in all Georgia schools

Screening testing: "To support safe, in-person instruction in kindergarten through grade 12 (K-12) schools"

With input from DOE, DPH designed a school-based testing plan for the 2021-2022 school year



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How Testing Helps Schools Safely Reopen

Given the disease trajectory and the fact that we currently do not know when vaccines will be available for children under age 12, safely and sustainably reopening schools may require school-based COVID-19 testing programs this coming school year.

Consistent, broad-based COVID-19 testing is a solution we can deploy right now, along with standard precautions like masking, distancing, and hand washing, to keep our students and staff safe.

Vaccines reduce the risk of COVID-19, but do not provide complete protection from symptomatic COVID-19 infection.

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CDC Recommendations on School COVID-19 Testing Programs by Level of Community Transmission

Testing for 3 groups:

1. Faculty/Staff
2. Students
3. Athletics (and other extracurricular activities)

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Helpful Links

Operational Strategy for K-12 Schools through Phased Prevention (CDC)

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

Sport Transmission Risk Summary

- https://ncaaorg.s3.amazonaws.com/ssi/COVID/SSI_ResocializationDevelopingStandardsSecondEdition.pdf

Table 1. Sport Transmission Risk Summary

| Sport | Indoor/Outdoor | Current Transmission Risk | Proximity to Other Competitors |
|---|----------------|---|--|
| Acrobatics and Tumbling <i>[emerging sport]</i> | Indoor | High | Can consistently maintain distance among competitors. However, frequent, very close contact among teammates. |
| Baseball | Outdoor | Intermediate | Intermittent, short-lived contact between fielders and base runners. Proximity between catcher and hitters. |
| Basketball | Indoor | High | Frequent close contact among all competitors during play. |
| Bowling | Indoor | Low | Can consistently maintain distance among competitors and teammates. |
| Cross Country | Outdoor | Low | Close proximity at the start and potentially throughout the race among competitors. Risk mitigation strategies can be employed, especially at the start and finish of competition. |
| Equestrian <i>[emerging sport]</i> | Outdoor | Low | Can consistently maintain distance among competitors and teammates. |
| Fencing | Indoor | Low (if face mask is worn under protective face gear) Intermediate (if no face mask is worn) | Frequent close contact <u>between two competitors at a time</u> during competition. Protective gear covers face but is not a mask. |
| Field Hockey* | Outdoor | Intermediate | Frequent, short-lived proximity among competitors during play. |
| Football | Outdoor | High | Frequent, short-lived close contact among competitors during play. |

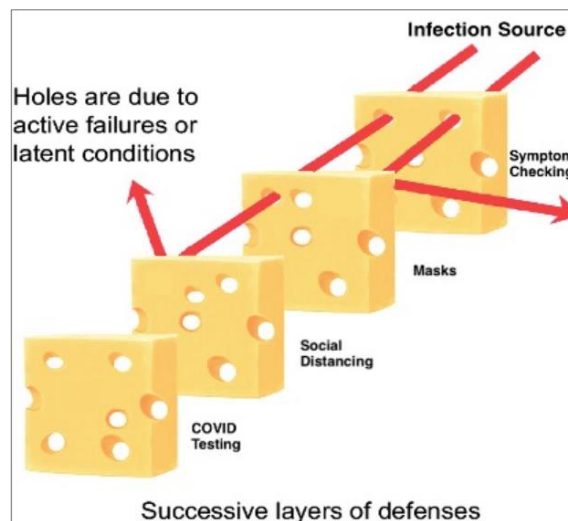
Top 3 Reasons to Implement COVID-19 Testing

| Help | Build | Protect |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| Help prevent in-school transmission | Build confidence among families and staff that returning to school is safe | Protect the broader community by increasing the testing resources in the community and providing families with more information that enables them to protect their family, friends, and community |

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COVID-19 Testing: Broader Prevention Strategies



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| Fire Analogy for Mitigating COVID-19 | |
|---|---|
|  <p>TO PREVENT A FIRE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unplug/limit use of electric toaster ovens • Limit use of use of electric heaters • Get a permit for open outdoor fires | <p>Fire prevention does not guarantee a fire will never happen. The same is true for COVID-19. Key precautions are simple, affordable, and smart behaviors to maintain safety.</p>  <p>TO PREVENT COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wear masks • Social distance • Group and separate |
|  <p>TO CONTAIN A FIRE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activate sprinkler systems • Sound alarms and alert 911 • Evacuate the building | <p>If a fire or virus outbreak does happen, despite taking precautions, then containment strategies limit the loss of property and lives.</p>  <p>TO CONTAIN COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact tracing • Shelter in place • Isolate and Quarantine |
|  <p>TO DETECT A FIRE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smoke alarms • Carbon monoxide alarms • Thermal imaging cameras | <p>Warning systems can't prevent fires nor can diagnostic tests prevent COVID. They are alarms that set into motion containment strategies.</p>  <p>TO DETECT COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lab-based testing • Point-of-care testing • Over-the-counter tests |

Learn more at whentotest.org and download the K-12 Playbook.

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DPH Working with Districts and Schools

DPH has secured turn-key labs to perform testing at participating schools

- Recommended testing is based on community transmission indicators
- DPH-contracted labs will deploy resources (personnel, equipment and supplies) to perform testing

DPH will enroll districts and schools that "opt-in" to participation and receive compensation for participation.

Compensation for School Districts and Schools



For school districts and schools that participate



Compensation for the school district/school providing the school-based screening program with personnel, testing location(s), PPE, etc.



Payments through Classwallet on monthly basis

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School District Compensation

| District Enrollment | # of Districts | Min Enrollment * | Max Enrollment * | Average Enrollment * | Fall 2021 Compensation* | Spring 2022 Compensation* |
|---------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 - 2499 | 67 | 176 | 2456 | 1303 | \$ 7,500 | \$ 7,500 |
| 2500 - 9999 | 79 | 2534 | 9763 | 4892 | \$ 15,000 | \$ 15,000 |
| 10000 - 24999 | 19 | 10228 | 22316 | 14337 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 30,000 |
| 25000 - 74999 | 13 | 25907 | 51844 | 36422 | \$ 75,000 | \$ 75,000 |
| 75000+ | 4 | 90219 | 177402 | 116761 | \$ 150,000 | \$ 150,000 |

*Based on 2020-2021 school year

**These rates may change.

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Expectation of School Districts

Single Point of Contact for:

- DPH contracted turn-key vendor
- DPH COVID-19 epidemiology and testing staff for contact tracing

Coordinate with schools in district to implement testing strategies

Provide feedback to DPH

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Compensation for Schools

| School Enrollment | # of Schools | Enrollment* | | | Compensation** | | | |
|-------------------|--------------|-------------|------|------|----------------|-------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | Min | Max | Mean | Fall 2021 | Spring 2022 | HS Athletics - Fall 2021 | HS Athletics - Spring 2022 |
| 1-499 | 657 | 6 | 499 | 350 | \$ 10,000 | \$ 10,000 | \$ 5,000 | \$ 5,000 |
| 500-999 | 1149 | 500 | 999 | 701 | \$ 15,000 | \$ 15,000 | \$ 7,500 | \$ 7,500 |
| 1000-1499 | 279 | 1000 | 1492 | 1195 | \$ 20,000 | \$ 20,000 | \$ 10,000 | \$ 10,000 |
| 1500-1999 | 88 | 1502 | 1981 | 1745 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 12,500 | \$ 12,500 |
| 2000+ | 66 | 2007 | 3706 | 2477 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 15,000 | \$ 15,000 |

* Based on 2020-2021 school year

**Numbers shown equal max compensation for the semester. Compensation is based on weekly participation and is added to Classwallet monthly. Title I schools will get a 20% increase for participating weeks.

Fall/Spring amounts are based on 15-week semesters.

These rates may change.

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Funding Distribution

*Based on full participation amount.

| Fall Semester | % of Compensation* |
|---------------|--------------------|
| August | 20% |
| September | 20% |
| October | 20% |
| November | 20% |
| December | 20% |

| Spring Semester | % of Compensation* |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| January | 20% |
| February | 20% |
| March | 20% |
| April | 20% |
| May | 20% |

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Expectation of Schools

Single Point of Contact for:

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Provide and coordinate logistics on site:

- Restrooms for testing personnel
- Testing location and security (hallway traffic control as needed)
- Parking for testing personnel
- PPE for school personnel
- Testing schedule

Organize consent and opt-in paperwork for participating students and faculty

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Why Classwallet?

- Ease of distributing money to districts and schools
- Wide array of participating commerce sites (next slide)

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| Vendor | Description |
|---|--|
| ABC Fun | Educational Supply Store in Evergreen Park, Illinois |
| Abilitations | The largest selection of Special Education and Special Needs Classroom Products Available at School Specialty. |
| ACE Educational Supplies | ACE Educational Supplies is a superstore filled to the brim with learning fun for ages 1 to 100. |
| Amazon | A large marketplace of products |
| Anton Uniforms | Uniforms for charter and private schools around the valley. Located in Tempe Arizona, easily accessible by freeway |
| Beckers | Beckers School Supplies is a one-stop shop for all of your early learning materials and elementary school needs. |
| Blick Art Materials | Blick Art Materials is a family-owned retail and catalog business that supplies professional and amateur artists, students, scholastic art programs |
| Books4School | Interstate Books4School is an educational, infant through 12th grade, Tradebook, Vial Book and ESL supplier. We are dedicated to budget-stretching prices, prompt service and speedy delivery of all orders |
| Carson Dellosa | The leading provider of supplemental educational products for educators for over 35 years. |
| Carter Books | We are your premier wholesale, one-stop shop partner for all your classroom materials, office supplies, technology, and furniture. |
| Childcare Education Institute | Whether you are looking to take one child care training course online or a set of courses, complete a certificate program or earn your Child Development Associate (CDA), ChildCare Education Institute has courses for you. |
| Childcraft ABC | The largest selection of Early Childhood Education, Early Childhood Furniture and Early Childhood Development Products from School Specialty. |
| ClassWallet Sourced Classroom Resources | Classroom resources and supplies sourced by ClassWallet many at discounted prices. |
| ClassWallet Sourced Discount Ink | Remanufactured ink and toner |
| ClassWallet Sourced Supply Essentials | Classroom resources and supplies sourced by ClassWallet many at discounted prices. |
| Dave's School Supply | Dave's School Supply carries a wide variety of educational products and materials. Visit us at one of our 4,000 square foot locations! |
| Demco | From supplies, furniture and equipment to innovative library design services and software and Maker Spaces |
| Discount Ink Supply | Discounted remanufactured ink and toner |
| Discount School Supply | The Discount School Supply website offers the most comprehensive presentation of our products in addition to a wide variety of content resources for teachers and parents. |
| Drew's Art Box | A box of art lessons and supplies delivered straight to your door! |
| Eastern Shore School Supply | Eastern Shore School Supply is a parent/teacher store which sells educational products for the classroom as well as at home. We provide teacher resources, products for early learners, as well as those that might need a little extra help. |
| eliasco | Online catalogs for Arts & Crafts, Science, Healthcare, Farm & Ranch, Special Education, Physical Education & Sports and much more. |
| Essential Skills | Classroom early learning teaching software for teaching of reading, spelling, phonics and grammar. |
| Frey Scientific | Scientific supplies and other materials for middle and high schools. |
| Get Smart | School Supplies for all grades and ages |
| Guide Dots | Created by an experienced art instructor, Guide Dots uses a one-of-a-kind process that's inspired by kids, tested by kids and tailored to kids. |
| Hands4Building | Hands 4 Building provides the opportunity for trial and error learning with real tools, real blueprints and sustainable bamboo sticks and strips. |
| Heritage Music Press | Supplement any materials that focus on such areas as critical thinking and listening skills, cross-curricular learning, music and movement; and team building, which still meet the National Standards objectives necessary to easily incorporate them into the classroom. |
| Home Depot | Shop online for all your class improvement and class project needs. |
| ICreateArt | I Create Art features creative & fun art boxes. Includes projects, materials & instructional videos with Free Shipping. For any age or level. Choose from a wide variety of collections, themes, & discounted art box bundles. Subscription plans available. |
| Lakeshore Learning | Award-winning educational products for schools and families to provide a high-quality education for every child. |
| Loves | Buy tools, small appliances, home security and more, plus pick up in store today. |
| Neenopod | Neenopod is an interactive classroom tool for teachers to engage students with interactive lessons. |

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| Office Depot | Shop Office Depot and OfficeMax for low prices on office supplies, paper, ink, toner, technology and more. |
| PCS Adventures | PCS Adventures is a leader in K-12 STEM education and experts in hands-on educational products for classroom, after school and home learning. |
| Play Piper | The Piper Computer Kit is the ultimate D.I.Y. computer building experience, for ages 8-13. Build a REAL computer from start to finish while playing Minecraft. Raspberry Pi Edition to learn how to code and make STEAM connections to the real world. |
| Quizalize | The best quiz platform for remote or real classrooms that delivers game-changing results. |
| Really Good Stuff | One of the country's most popular teacher resource online stores. Teacher Supplies Designed by Teachers For Teachers Since 1992 |
| See Arts & Crafts | Inspire the artist in every student with our comprehensive line of affordable, high-quality arts and craft supplies featuring SAK products. |
| Scholastic | Scholastic has been delivering literacy resources for kids and outstanding children's books to schools, teachers, and families for more than 50 years. |
| School Specialty | Save on the largest selection of School Supplies and Teacher Supplies at School Specialty. |
| Sensory Site | Hands-on curriculum kits: create a multi-sensory learning environment. |
| Skillsatics | We provide incredible resources for large groups of kids to stay active and learn. Discover how you can revolutionize the way children experience physical education. |
| Sportime | The largest selection of Physical Education, Sports Equipment, PE Equipment from School Specialty. |
| Standards in Puzzles | Square Puzzle Lesson Plans for middle school. Students will work together to complete our standards-based puzzles which promote intense study of critical math, science, social studies, and english lessons. |
| Staples | Business essentials, printers, ink, computers, office furniture, printing services, promotional products and more. Solutions for Worldwide. |
| Steve Spangler Science | Educational science toys, STEM kits, teacher workshop materials, classroom sets, easy science fair projects, slime & amazing experiments by Steve Spangler. |
| Super Duper Inc. | The company publishes materials for occupational therapists, speech-language pathologists, special educators, general education teachers, and parents, to help children with special needs, and to give extra assistance to those students who need extra practice in school-based and daily living skills. |
| SweepScrub | SweepScrub.com offers refurbished commercial and industrial floor cleaning machines as well as over 250,000 replacement parts from brands like Tennant, Nobles, Clarke, Viper, Nilfisk Advance, Minuteman, NSS, Windsor, and several others. |
| Teach The Children | Educational products and materials. |
| Teacher Tools | School Supplies for all grades and ages |
| Teacher's Discovery | The world's most trusted supplier of hybrid teaching resources. For in-class, at-home, or anywhere your students are — find the teaching resources you need for your hybrid learning environment. |
| Teachers of Tomorrow | The nation's largest teacher certification program. |
| Teachers' Exchange | Wide variety of all resources needed for the classroom. |
| TeamUpWellness | Fitness and wellness for busy professionals, adaptive fitness and physical therapy |
| The Classroom Education Toys and Classroom Essentials | The Classroom 1st has been in business as an educational supply store since 1986. We have served our community and on-line order customers with the friendly customer service that we ourselves would expect. |
| The Knowledge Tree | Your best source for school supplies, curriculum supplements, furniture, office supplies, and toys for more than 25 years! |
| The Turtle Shell | The Turtle Shell not only carries teaching materials, but also has a good selection of children's books, toys, nappies and book bags! We also carry most Melissa and Doug products. |
| Timberdoodle | Timberdoodle Co provides only the best homeschool products and homeschool curriculum. We specialize in hands-on homeschooling and help you customize your homeschool curriculum. |
| Treasure | Wireless hotspots from 1-Mobile |
| Varsity Tutors | Varsity Tutors offers private and group tutoring, classes, test prep, and virtual learning for all students and professionals. Access 3,000+ subjects and 40,000+ instructors online today. |
| West Music | Equip yourself or your pupils with the finest of music instruments. West Music provides a wide range that appeals to professionals and teachers. |
| Premium Stores | |
| Amazon | A large marketplace of products |

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Consent

All participating faculty will need to "opt-in" to the testing program

All participating students will need

- To "opt-in" to the testing program
- To provide parental consent for testing

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Determining Transmission Level

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County Indicator Report

DPH produces a weekly County Indicator Report, available at:

- <https://dph.georgia.gov/county-indicator-reports>

This report will be used to determine transmission levels, and is available to the public

County Indicator Reports

[County Indicator Report \(7/19/2021\)](#)

[County Indicator Report \(7/12/2021\)](#)

[County Indicator Report \(7/5/2021\)](#)

[County Indicator Report \(6/28/2021\)](#)

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County Indicator Reports – Community Transmission Tab

| County Indicator Report | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---|--|
| Introduction Cases Laboratory Tests Emergency Department Visits Emerging Counties High Transmission Counties Supplemental Maps Community Transmission | | | | | | |
| metric descriptions Note: The 7-day date range for "Number confirmed cases (7 day)" and "7-day confirmed case rate (per 100k)" reflects the date that the cases were reported to DPH. The 7-day date range for "Number PCR tests (7 day)" and "PCR % positive (7 day)" reflects the date that the specimens were collected. | | | | | | |
| 160 records | | | | | | |
| County or Statewide | Number confirmed cases (7 day) | 7-day confirmed case rate (per 100k) | Number PCR tests (7 day) | PCR % positive (7 day) | Level of Community Transmission Indicator | |
| All | All | All | All | All | All | |
| 1 STATEWIDE | 2702 | 26 | 60976 | 3.4% | Moderate | |
| 2 APPLING | 3 | Not Calculated | 33 | 0.0% | Low | |
| 3 ATKINSON | 1 | Not Calculated | 21 | 19.0% | High | |
| 4 BACON | 3 | Not Calculated | 23 | 0.0% | Low | |
| 5 BAKER | 4 | Not Calculated | 19 | 26.3% | High | |
| 6 BALDWIN | 8 | 18 | 83 | 13.3% | High | |

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Not Calculated = LOW

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|---------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---|
| All | All | All | All | All | All |
| 26 CHATHAM | 161 | 56 | 1005 | 7.8% | Substantial |
| 27 CHATTAHOOCHEE | 142 | 1329 | 23 | 4.3% | High |
| 28 CHATTOOGA | 14 | 56 | 105 | 8.6% | Substantial |
| 29 CHEROKEE | 80 | 31 | 1607 | 4.7% | Moderate |
| 30 CLARKE | 41 | 32 | 738 | 5.4% | Moderate |
| 31 CLAY | 0 | Not Calculated | 7 | Not Calculated | Not Calculated |
| 32 CLAYTON | 110 | 38 | 2233 | 6.9% | Moderate |
| 33 CLINCH | 0 | Not Calculated | 11 | 0.0% | Low |

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Current (as of 6/14/2021 and 7/19/2021) Transmission Levels

| TRANSMISSION LEVEL | As of 6/14/2021 | | As of 7/19/2021 | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| | N | % of Total | N | % of Total |
| LOW TRANSMISSION | 63 | 39.62% | 35 | 22.01% |
| MODERATE TRANSMISSION | 74 | 46.54% | 48 | 30.19% |
| SUBSTANTIAL TRANSMISSION | 10 | 6.29% | 37 | 23.27% |
| HIGH TRANSMISSION | 12 | 7.55% | 39 | 24.53% |
| TOTAL | 159 | 100.0% | 159 | 100.0% |

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Workflow of On-Boarding Schools

An outside vendor will perform the screening test from swab to result

Results will be reported to the school and to DPH

Workflow:

1. School/School District Contacts DPH to On-Board
 - Email address: covid-k12-testing@dph.ga.gov
2. DPH obtains on-boarding information from schools/districts and connects school to assigned lab and Classwallet
3. Classwallet and Lab On-Boarding
 - Classwallet works with school to get on-boarding training completed
 - Assigned lab works with DPH and school to arrange testing schedule and consent process

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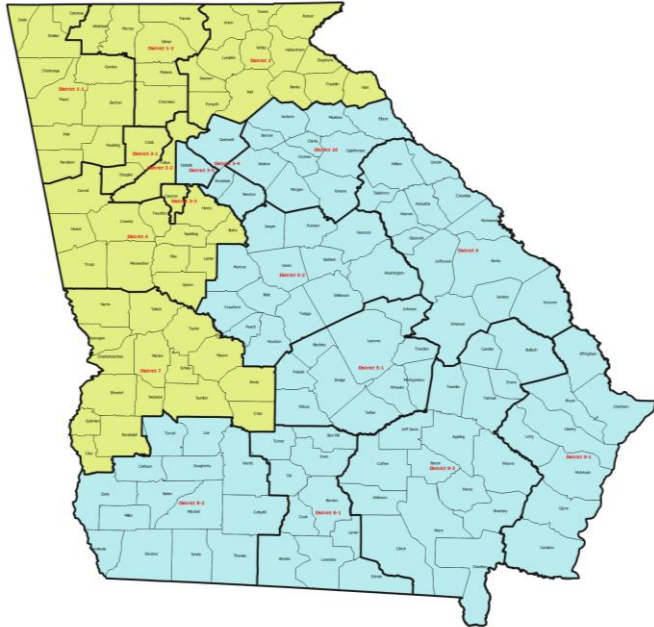
DPH Selected Labs

Emergency RFQ Process

Two Selected Labs = LTS, Mako

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Yellow = Mako
Blue = LTS

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Who does what? MOU being finalized for this

| District Health Director | Health District Epidemiology Team |
|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ordering Physician | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assist Schools as needed with CT CI and enter close contacts into MTX |
| DPH State Office | DPH State Epidemiology Team |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-boarding of new schools Primary POC for schools/districts MOUs Managing all contracts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> County Indicator Report |
| DPH Contracted Labs | Schools/School Districts |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn-key testing Results portal Consent (with schools) Results within 24 hours of specimen collection | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitate on-site testing (on-site logistics) Obtain consent Participate fully in CT and provide close contacts to District Epis Communication with students/faculty/staff/parents |

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Key Dates



Last Day to On-Board
with DPH = Tuesday,
3/1/2022



All Classwallet funds
must be used by
Sunday, 5/1/2022

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Frequently Asked Questions

Is this mandatory for districts/schools?

If a district/school opts-in, can students/parents opt-out?

Will the schools be required to pay for the turn-key testing solution?

Can a school that opts-in leave the program if the transmission levels fall below the recommended level for screening?

Can a school opt-in to both athletics and school testing?

Can vaccinated individuals participate? Should they?

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Next Steps

Districts interested in participating should follow the link and fill out the survey below

DPH will follow up with all interested school districts to discuss a plan for sharing information with interested schools and getting them enrolled

If you are interested in participation, please complete this survey ASAP:

- <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=DaEtURsHlEuKvJ7EBEOVFjTgXBVXhDhNhOBfMnbj4ylUMVExSldKMURaSkRTSEs3Nk1KUU5YMTZHQi4u>

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Survey Will Ask

School District Name

County

Count of schools in the District (Elementary, Middle, High)

Total Projected 2021-2022 Enrollment (Elementary, Middle, High)

Types of Testing your district is interested in:

- Routine FACULTY/STAFF COVID-19 Testing
- COVID-19 screening testing for STUDENTS
- COVID-19 screening testing for ATHLETICS

Single point of contact (name, email, phone) for logistics

Single point of contact (name, email, phone) for Classwallet

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More Information on School Testing Programs

<https://www.openandsafeschools.org/>

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School COVID-19 Testing Toolkit



Connect with other school districts on the Peer-to-Peer Hub

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Questions and Open Discussion



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Contact Information

Georgia DPH K-12 Testing Program

covid-k12-testing@dph.ga.gov