



Dr. Saltzman staff message

March 31, 2021

To: All District Staff
From: Dr. Ian B. Saltzman, Superintendent
Regarding: COVID testing onsite - Pilot

Good afternoon staff!

Thank you for the hard work you have put in to ensure proper safety protocols are in place in our schools for our staff and our students. We are excited to announce one additional layer of safety we are going to pilot in several of our elementary schools.

Starting Wednesday, April 14, we will be providing voluntary rapid COVID testing for asymptomatic staff at Whittier, Mill Creek and Jefferson elementaries. Testing staff without symptoms regularly allows us to detect even asymptomatic cases, quickly quarantine those who have been exposed, and stop the spread in its tracks.

We will be providing this testing every other week on Learning Improvement Wednesdays, for the schools listed above. On the alternating Wednesdays (April 21, May 5, etc.) we will provide voluntary testing for staff working onsite at View Ridge, Emerson and Cedar Wood elementaries.

The testing will be done with a self-swab and the results will be delivered through a NAVICA app you will be asked to download when you register to test.

Once the testing process is piloted and refined in these six schools, we will work on expanding the opportunity to other schools. Staff in the pilot schools will find out more about how to register and when testing will occur through an email from their administrator. You can find out more about the testing protocol, learn about the app being used, and other resources on the [staff COVID testing site](#).

Thank you for all you do! Be safe and be well,

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