

# UNIVERSITY PREPARATORY SCHOOL COVID-19 STUDENT TESTING POLICY AND INFORMED CONSENT TO TEST

## Purpose

University Preparatory School ("U-Prep" or the "School") recognizes testing for COVID-19 as a key measure necessary to allow students and staff to safely remain on campus and/or participate in school-sponsored athletics to any degree while COVID-19 continues to spread and pose a direct threat to the School and our community.

#### **Definitions**

- Asymptomatic COVID-19 surveillance testing is the testing of individuals without evident symptoms of COVID-19 or a known exposure to a COVID-19 infected individual for the purpose of detecting and limiting the spread of COVID-19 within the School community.
- Symptomatic testing means an individual with symptoms of COVID-19.
- Response testing is used to identify positive individuals once a case has been identified in a given stable group and can be provided for symptomatic individuals or for asymptomatic individuals with known or suspected exposure to an individual infected with COVID-19.

## **COVID-19 Testing**

# **School-sponsored Athletics:**

When required of the CDPH, the School will require all students and coaches participating in School-sponsored athletics to complete an asymptomatic COVID-19 test (PCR):

- Testing cadence: At least once a week, even if asymptomatic. This test is intended to detect the presence of COVID-19 infection regardless of whether the person shows any symptoms.
- The school has contracted with Lab24 to provide PCR COVID-19 testing.

# Voluntary Student Asymptomatic and Symptomatic Testing

U-Prep students and families are provided with up-to-date sources for COVID-19 testing within the community. When required of the CDPH, students may also pursue COVID-19 testing on-campus during identified timeframes. This test is intended to detect the presence of COVID-19 infection regardless of whether the person shows any symptoms.

- Testing cadence: The CDPH has set in place testing cadence based on five tiers. Each tier features cadence on the testing performed for both staff and students which varies in cadence around testing purpose and frequency.
- Trained school health staff will conduct the testing. Testing kits are provided by Biocept.

Testing will be provided free of charge to any student required to participate in School-sponsored athletics. Testing labs or facilities will share students' COVID-19 test results with authorized representatives at the School, when such testing is required by the School, in compliance with the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA"). The School will follow strict confidentiality provisions regarding all testing results provided to it as outlined in this Policy.

Until public health guidance changes, the School expects students to get tested as soon as possible after developing one (1) or more COVID-19 symptoms or if one (1) or more household members or close

contacts tested positive for COVID-19. In the event of a positive test result, the School requires that students notify School administration immediately if the student tested positive for COVID-19 or if one of their household members or non-household close contacts tested positive for COVID-19.

#### **Consent to Test for Students**

No student will be tested without their consent, or the consent of their parent/guardian—as applicable. However, access to participation in School-sponsored athletics will be limited to those who follow the testing protocol as outlined in this Policy. Pursuant to applicable law and CDPH guidance, a parent/guardian's consent will be required for students under the age of thirteen (13) to test for COVID-19. However, a parent/guardian's consent will not be required to test students ages thirteen (13) and older for COVID-19.

### Confidentiality

Once the School receives COVID-19 test results of any student, the School will handle them in accordance with applicable law, including but not limited to the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA"). The School will maintain the confidentiality of the results of student COVID-19 test results. Only the School's administration officials will be granted access to test results, and only to assess whether any individual poses a direct threat to the workplace/learning environment and for the purpose of organizing the School's COVID-19 response and protecting the workplace and School from COVID-19 infection.

Personally identifying information about a student's test results will not be shared directly with other employees or families. The School will comply with state law and public health guidance regarding the requirement to provide general notice, without sharing confidential information such an individual's names or medical information, to any persons who were potentially exposed to an individual infected with COVID-19 while on campus, or to report outbreaks to local health authorities as required by law. Every effort will be taken to ensure students' rights to privacy are preserved while still acting in accordance with public health guidance and the law to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The School will not disclose student medical information to third parties except as required by state law, public health order, and applicable legal authority to relevant public health authorities. Any employees authorized to review test results will be trained not to disclose them to third parties except in the instance outlined in this Policy.

Should you have any questions regarding this Policy, you may contact the Superintendent/Principal at (530) 245-2790.

Confirmation of Receipt and Informed Consent

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have received, read, and understand the School's COVID-19 Student Testing Policy, and that I hereby provide informed consent for my student to be tested for COVID-19, consistent with this Policy.

Student Name	Student Signature	Date
Parent Name	Parent Signature	_ Date