

Liberty CUSD 2 COVID-19 Testing Guidelines

- COVID-19 rapid testing will be performed using the Abbott BinaxNOW test.
 - Testing will be used for diagnostic purposes only. Intended to identify current infection and is performed when a person has signs or symptoms consistent with COVID-19.
 - Results will be used to expedite isolation and quarantine requirements and to inform infection prevention and control measures, thus preventing transmission. Additionally, rapid testing can allow students and staff to return to school and community members to work more quickly if their test results are negative.
- Available to any Liberty CUSD#2 student/staff member/staff household member with symptoms of COVID-19.
 - Per IDPH guidelines, “testing of teachers and staff should be prioritized over students, and older students prioritized over younger students”.
- Student must have a written consent on file in the nurse’s office prior to testing.
 - Prior to testing, a parent/guardian verbal consent will be obtained via phone call by the nurse or office staff, make sure current contact number/s are on file with your child’s school office. Testing will not be performed without written **and** verbal consent.
- Staff and/or household members will fill out a consent form immediately prior to testing.
- Testing times and locations.
 - Any student/staff member currently at school and having symptoms will be tested in the nurse’s office upon arrival of the nurse and once parental/guardian verbal consent has been obtained.
 - Any student/staff member/staff household member not at school due to symptoms will be tested upon the discretion of the school nurse and/or administration.
 - Testing will be done between 8:15 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. at the location specified by the school nurse
- Results will be verbalized to parent/guardian via phone call and email. Make sure current contact number/s and email address are on file with your child’s school office.
 - If negative result and student is not exhibiting fever of more than 100.0 and/or vomiting the student may return to class.
 - If positive result, isolation of student will be done immediately and will need to continue for 10 days from onset of symptoms.
- Please refer to www.libertyschool.net “COVID-19” for updated guidelines.