



Spring Break Asymptomatic Testing for HWCDSB Students & Staff

Asymptomatic testing clinics will be held at various HWCDSB schools at the end of Spring Break. These clinics are open to all students and staff from our HWCDSB schools. Students and staff are encouraged to take advantage of this testing capacity to support a safe return to school on April 19th. Children attending child care and child care staff will also be eligible to access this testing.

COVID-19 testing is voluntary and only for asymptomatic individuals (those who are not experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms). It is not for those individuals who have been advised to self-isolate.

If you are interested in participating, testing will be available on the following dates:

School	Date	Time
St. John Henry Newman Catholic Secondary School 127 Gray Rd., Stoney Creek L8G 3V1	Thursday, April 15, 2021	9am – 5pm
Cathedral High School 30 Wentworth St. N., Hamilton L8L 8H5	Friday, April 16, 2021	9am – 5pm
Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School 1824 Rymal Rd. E., Hannon LOR 1P0	Saturday, April 17, 2021	9am – 5pm

Drop in is based on the first initial of a family's surname

Participants are able to walk-in to the location during the allocated testing time. LifeLabs will be providing PCR testing, with a walk-in schedule based on the first initial of a family's surname.

9:00 AM – 9:30 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter A
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Students whose surname begins with the letter B
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Students whose surname begins with the letter C
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Students whose surname begins with the letter D
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Students whose surname begins with the letter E or F
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter G or H
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter I or J
12:30 PM – 1:00 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter K or L
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter M

1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter N
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter O or P
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter Q or R
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter S
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter T or U
4:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter V or W
4:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Students whose surname begins with the letter X, Y or Z

Upon arrival, consent will be required from parents / guardians of students under 18 years of age.

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The test process is very simple and safe, and the collection site will be staffed by professionals who will be following a multitude of safety parameters. LifeLabs uses a swab similar to a Q-tip that is inserted into the front part of the nostril and rotated for 15 seconds (per nostril). [Learn more about this testing method.](#)

If an OHIP number has been provided at the time of check-in/registration, results will be uploaded to covid19results.ehealthontario.ca. Any positive results will get a call from the LifeLabs clinical team and Hamilton Public Health Services (HPHS).

Asymptomatic testing is an important layer of protection that helps to track and prevent the spread of COVID-19. Increased testing may also help to reduce stress and anxiety related to the virus by identifying cases early and avoiding outbreaks.