



COVID testing - whole school consent form

Full return to school for pupils from 8 March 2021 - communication 2d

Consent form for COVID-19 testing in secondary schools

Introduction

This consent form is for participation in tests designed to detect asymptomatic coronavirus cases. Anyone experiencing symptoms should follow government guidelines to self-isolate (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>), even if they have had a recent negative lateral flow test. Please complete this form even if you have already completed the form whilst your child was attending CWOSP.

Consent relates to the following groups of pupils and staff as follows:

- For pupils younger than 16 years - this form must be completed by the parent or carer. Please complete one consent form for each child you wish to participate in testing.
- Pupils over 16 who are able to provide informed consent - can complete this form themselves, having discussed participation with their parent / carer if under 18.
- For any pupil who does not have the capacity to provide informed consent - this form must be completed by the parent or carer. Please complete one consent form for each child you wish to participate in testing.
- Staff will complete this form themselves.

Terms of consent

1. I have had the opportunity to consider the information provided by the school about the testing, ask questions and have had these answered satisfactorily, based on the information presented in the letter dated 7 January 2021 and the attached Privacy Notice.
2. In the case of under 16s, I have discussed the testing with my child and my child is happy to participate. If on the day of testing they do not wish to take part, then they will not be made to do so and consent can be withdrawn at any time ahead of the test.
3. I consent to having/my child having a nose and throat swab for lateral flow tests. I / my child will self-swab if I / my child is able to otherwise I understand that assistance* is available. In the case of under 16s or pupils who are not able to provide informed consent, I have discussed the testing with my child, and they are happy to participate and self-swab (with assistance* if required).
4. I understand that there may be multiple tests required and this consent covers all tests for the below named person. If, on the day of testing I / they do not wish to take part, then I understand I / they will not be made to do so, and that consent can be withdrawn at any time ahead of the test.
5. I consent that my / my child's sample(s) will be tested for the presence of COVID-19.
6. I understand that if my /my child's result(s) are negative on the lateral flow test I will not be contacted by the school except where I am / they are a close contact of a confirmed positive.

7. If the lateral flow test indicates the presence of COVID-19, I consent to having / my child having a nose and throat swab for confirmatory PCR testing – the parent/carer will need to book a test for their child at a regional testing site.

8. If the lateral flow test indicates the presence of COVID-19, on notification from the school, I commit to ensuring that I / my child is removed from school premises as promptly as possible, bearing in mind I / they may have some anxiety following a positive test result.

9. I consent that I / they will need to self-isolate following a positive lateral flow test result, until the results of the confirmatory PCR have been received.

10. I agree that if my / my child's test results are confirmed to be positive from this PCR test, I will report this to the school and I understand that I / my child will be required to self-isolate following public health advice.

11. I consent that if a close contact of my child tests positive but I / my child has tested negative, I / they will continue to attend school but will be tested every day at school for 7 days.

**Please be advised - assistance with swabbing will be verbal encouragement and support only*

What is your child's date of birth

* Gender - this information is needed for Department for Health and Social Care research purposes

- Male**
 Female

* Ethnicity - this information is needed for Department of Health and Social Care research purposes

- Asian or Asian British**
 Black, African, Black British or Caribbean
 Mixed or multiple ethnic groups
 White
 Prefer not to say

Currently showing any COVID-19 symptoms?

- Yes**
 No

Home Postcode

Email Address - there is where test results will be sent

Mobile Number - this is where test results will be sent. Please do not put a landline number - you can only receive test results to a mobile number

Relationship to test subject

Signature (typing out your name is sufficient if you are filling in this form digitally)