



Thursday, June 10, 2021

Dear Parents, Guardians, Students, and Staff,

Ottawa Public Health (OPH), in collaboration with CHEO, is running a **COVID-19 testing clinic** for students and staff from schools in your neighbourhood as well as their families. Getting tested is an important step to identifying COVID-19 and preventing spread in the school and community setting. Free COVID-19 test kits will be provided to use on the bus or at home and returned the same day.

**Who can go:**

Testing is intended for those without any symptoms of COVID-19. This includes people who are high-risk contacts of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. No appointment is required.

**COVID-19 Testing Clinic Details:**

	Locations	Address	Times
<b>Thursday, June 17</b>	Metro - Blackburn Hamlet	2636 Innes Rd, Ottawa, ON K1B 4Z8	9:30am - 12:30pm
	Sandy Hill Community Centre	250 Somerset St E, Ottawa ON K1N 6V6	1:30pm - 4:30pm

**About the Take-Home COVID-19 Test Kits:**

The take-home test kits will consist of a combined mouth and nose swab, a convenient and easy test that a child or adult can do themselves, or that can be done by a parent or caregiver. This test is less invasive and better tolerated than the usual COVID-19 test and takes only seconds to complete. The take-home test kits will include detailed instructions about administering the test, completing the form included in the kit, labelling and storing the test sample, and where to return it.

To find out more about this test, you can watch a short video here:

- [How to do a combined nose and mouth swab for COVID-19](#)

**How to Access Results:**

After dropping off the completed test kit, you can access the COVID-19 result in approximately 36-48 hours in one of the following ways:

- **MyChart Account:** If you or your child has a CHEO MyChart account, you can view the result by logging in to CHEO MyChart.
- **OHIP Number:** If you provided a valid OHIP number with your completed kit, you can access the test result at <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/>.
- **CHEO Patient Experience:** If you do not have a MyChart Account AND you do not have a valid OHIP number, you can contact CHEO Patient Experience through [testinginquiries@cheo.on.ca](mailto:testinginquiries@cheo.on.ca) or 613-737-7600, ext. 6720. Please allow at least 48 hours after you submit the sample before contacting them with you or your child’s full name and date of birth, along with how best to reach you.

Please note that if the test is positive, you will receive a phone call from CHEO and from Ottawa Public Health to notify you of the result and to provide further information and support.

**COVID-19 information, resources and next steps will be provided at the testing clinic.**



**Contact Us:**

If you have questions about this testing clinic, please contact Ottawa Public Health at 613-580-6744 between the hours of 9 am and 4 pm.

**Other Testing Options:**

If you are not able to come for testing, please book an appointment at an [Assessment Centre](#) if you have COVID-19 symptoms or you are a high-risk contact.

Thank you,

**Ottawa Public Health**