

Test to Protect Our Schools

Poplar Healthcare is excited to announce targeted mass COVID-19 testing, a process specifically designed to help our schools return safely back to in-person learning.

Why? Create a safer environment for students and faculty as they return to in-person instruction this fall.



Implemented in conjunction with proper hygiene and social distancing measures, targeted mass testing helps ensure a safer start to the school year for those students and faculty attending in-person instruction.

Mass testing gives schools a stronger chance of remaining open, allowing children to benefit from in-person instruction. Most importantly, students are more likely to stay healthy and safer than if testing were not utilized.

What? Pooling and high-throughput PCR-based platforms provide accurate and timely results.



Poplar Healthcare utilizes PCR-based platforms to process samples and detect the SARS-CoV-2 virus, better known as COVID-19. By pooling specimens, the platforms are able to process multiple samples at once, which is critical to offering mass testing to Shelby County Schools. The PCR-based tests utilized by Poplar Healthcare are highly accurate, and results are delivered within 24 hours.

How? It's easy, here are the steps to follow:



1

Complete the consent forms to allow your student(s) to participate in testing.

- Testing will be offered bi-weekly at your student's school.
- Your student(s) information, along with your consent, is stored in a secure, web-based platform.

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On the assigned testing date, a testing team will be on-site at the school. Your student(s) will be directed to the testing area when it is their time to test.

- A trained medical professional will be there to collect a nasal swab for your child. The swab only goes into the outer nostril - this is not a deep swab.
- The collection only takes about 30 seconds, start to finish.

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Wait for results to be reported within 24-hours.

- You will be notified, via email, when your student's results are ready.
- Follow the instructions in the email to access your student's results.

Poplar Healthcare is proud to offer this highly effective and efficient COVID-19 testing to schools in our community at no cost to you.

Have questions? Check out the program FAQs at: <http://www.scsk12.org/covidtesting>