



COVID-19 TESTING PLAN FOR SWEETWATER SECONDARY SCHOOL

Sweetwater Secondary School has adopted the [California Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Testing Framework for K-12 Schools](#) for the 2022-23 School Year as it is updated based on current scientific knowledge and anticipated trends to meet the requirements of [SB 1479](#).

Designated COVID-19 Testing Point of Contact:

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To Obtain Over-The-Counter (Home) COVID-19 Tests:

- Parent/Guardian or Student may contact their Resource Center (RC) Teacher to obtain Over-The-Counter (OTC) Antigen Home COVID-19 Test Kits at their Resource Center.
- For more information about COVID-19 symptoms and testing, visit California Department of Public Health's [Testing & COVID-19- What You Need to Know](#)

To Access COVID-19 Testing and/or Vaccine Appointments:

For Testing and/or Vaccine Locations in San Diego County or convenient location, parent/guardian can make an appointment on-line at:

- [Testing in San Diego County](#)
- <https://myturn.ca.gov/>
- Contact a local pharmacy or health care provider.

Reporting Symptoms, Exposure or Positive Case of COVID-19:

- In order to maintain the health and safety of the students and staff at the Resource Center, if a student is experiencing symptoms, the student should stay home.
- Parent/Guardian to notify their student's Teacher if student is experiencing any symptoms, exposure or positive case of COVID-19.
- Possible COVID-19 symptoms include fever (temperature at or over 100F), chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting and/or diarrhea.
- If the student's COVID-19 test is positive, please isolate the student at home.
- Parent/Guardian to administer a Home COVID-19 Test to their student per manufacture instructions. Please read the student's COVID-19 test result carefully. The second or bottom line may appear very faint. **Any** pink/purple line indicates a positive result. Please read the instructions on the OTC Home COVID-19 Test Kits for more information.

Reference: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Testing-Framework-for-K-12-Schools-for-the-2022-2023-School-Year.aspx>

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- Teacher will notify the assigned RC School Nurse to contact parent/guardian to discuss specific instructions such as COVID-19 testing, precautions and return to school.
- School Nurses follow the current guidance from the CA Department of Public Health and COVID-19 Decision Tree for K-12 Schools.
- The school's Health Department will report positive cases to the County public health services (PHS).

Public Health Notification Requirements:

Per [CCR Title 17, Section 2508](#) (referenced in [CDPH school guidance](#)), "It shall be the duty of anyone in charge of a public or private school, kindergarten, boarding school, or day nursery to report at once to the local health officer the presence or suspected presence of any of the communicable diseases." [CCR Section 2500](#) (also referenced in school guidance) includes COVID-19 in the list that must be reported. County public health services (PHS) has informed the San Diego County Office of Education that schools/employers are required to report to PHS, information on all positive cases that were on a school campus while infectious, including Over-The-Counter results reported by parents and employees.

Resources:

- [San Diego County Health Department COVID-19 Data Dashboards](#)
 - For a weekly status update, please scroll to the bottom of the page.
- [Center for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) COVID-19 Data Tracker](#)