

**SHIELD Testing
for COVID-19
in District 113**

February 17, 2021



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Panelists for Today's Webinar

- District 113 - Overview
Dr. Bruce Law, Superintendent | Brian Ahmer, Director of Facilities & Operations
- SHIELD - The SHIELD test
Ron Watkins, Managing Director of SHIELD Illinois and Associate Dean of Gies College of Business
Dr. Rebecca Lee Smith, DVM MS PhD, Associate Professor of Epidemiology, Department of Pathobiology, College of Veterinary Medicine
Beth Heller, External Community Relations Manager for SHIELD Illinois
- Passport Health - Test administration and notification of positive result
Passport Health Chief Medical Officer Dr. Scott Morcott
- All - Questions and follow up items

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Mitigation Strategies

- SHIELD Testing adds another layer of mitigation onto already existing number of mitigation strategies:
 - Face coverings are required
 - Symptom screening is required
 - Social distancing of 6 feet is observed as much as possible
 - Frequent handwashing/use of hand sanitizer is encouraged
 - No on-campus lunch to minimize removal of face coverings
 - Outdoor air intake as at maximum level to circulate fresh air
 - Filtration has been upgraded where possible to MERV-13
 - Enhanced cleaning and disinfecting procedures and personnel are being deployed





District 113 Testing

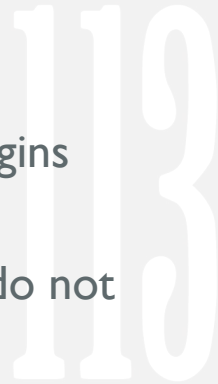
- Testing is mandatory for all students in Hybrid Learning and Remote Learning students who participate in any in-person activities or athletics, unless a medical exemption is on file
- Parents/guardians will receive an email from IC directing them to the consent form
- Consent form must be completed to access the building
- Parents will be notified if student does not show up for testing
- Students will be tested on Tuesdays and Fridays beginning March 2
- Schedules for student testing are being created to minimize disruption to instruction
- Schedules will be communicated to students by email

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Important SHIELD Testing Dates

- February 8: Board voted to approve SHIELD testing
- February 17: SHIELD Testing Webinar
- February 18: Webinar recording posted online
Consent form goes live in IC
- February 22: Consent form is due
- February 23: Hybrid Learning begins for students
- March 1: Medical exemption from healthcare provider due
- March 2: Mandatory testing begins; Exclusion for those without consent begins
- March 8: Medical exemption review period ends
- March 9: Exclusion begins for those with denied medical exemptions who do not consent to testing





Questions and Follow Up

- Why is District 113 using the SHIELD test?
- Why does testing have to be done onsite?
- Why are you testing twice per week?
- How accurate is the SHIELD test?
- Does the SHIELD test check for mutations/variants of COVID-19?
- Can I eat or drink before testing?
- How will saliva specimens be collected?
- Will District 113, SHIELD or Passport Health be collecting my student's DNA?
- What happens to my student's saliva sample after testing?
- Has there been any indication of virus spread at testing sites?

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Questions and Follow Up

- Does SHIELD report test results to local, state and/or national health organizations?
- How/When will I be notified about my student's test results?
- If there is a positive test result does my student need to have a nasal test to confirm?
- Who will have access to my student's information and/or test results?
- Why is District 113 making testing mandatory for students who are coming on campus for Hybrid Learning or for students in Remote Learning who participate in extracurricular ?
- What happens if my student forgets or is absent?





Questions and Follow Up

- Resources regarding SHIELD testing will be posted on the District 113 website under the SHIELD tab



- Questions regarding testing should be sent to COVIDTesting@dist113.org

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