



# FSD145

## Freeport School District

### COVID-19 Antigen Screening SOP

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**OBJECTIVE:** *FSD takes the health and safety of our staff, students, and their families very seriously. As such, FSD will add a voluntary COVID-19 testing program for staff and students. This guidance is intended to provide a voluntary reliable screening option for staff and students involved in higher risk activities and classrooms or who become symptomatic during the school day.*

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**Purpose:** This document is intended for all FSD145 schools to give consistent information and implementation procedures regarding COVID-19 antigen screening to parents and community members with the guidance of building administrators, the superintendent and local health services.

#### **Procedures or Guidance:**

In partnership with the Stephenson County Health Department (SCHD), FSD will offer a voluntary COVID-19 screening program for students and school-based staff. The voluntary screening process is based on guidelines developed by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), SCHD, and Illinois High School Association (IHSA).

This voluntary screening program uses Abbott Laboratories BinaxNOW tests provided by the SCHD at no cost to FSD. BinaxNOW is a reliable, verified screening tool (antigen test) that offers fast results from testing performed on-site. The results lead to quicker contact tracing/quarantine and contributes to controlling the spread of COVID-19. FSD trained medical personnel will administer and evaluate test results. The decision-making process of the results will be followed from the IDPH COVID-19 Interim Exclusion Guidance (<https://www.isbe.net/Documents/IDPH-COVID19-Exclusion-Decison-Tree.pdf>).

The FSD voluntary screening SOP is based on the risk levels guidelines established by IHSA (<https://www.ihsa.org/Resources/COVID-19>) and other factors as determined by FSD medical personnel and administrators.

For high risk staff and students, voluntary screening will take place on a weekly basis; or more frequently if there is an outbreak or need as determined by the SCHED and/or FSD medical personnel or administrators. The high risk category includes, but is not limited to:

- School personnel who work with a student(s) who are unable to wear their mask due to a known medical condition and/or unable to maintain a 6 foot distance consistently throughout the school day.
- Students participating in high risk sports (see link above) or extracurricular activities while in season.

For moderate & low risk staff and students, voluntary screening will take place on an as needed basis. The as needed basis will be determined by the FSD trained medical personnel and/or the SCHED. A voluntary screen may take place if one or more of the following scenarios take place:

- A staff member or student is symptomatic during the school day.
- A suspicion of an exposure to a staff or student participating in an extracurricular activity that is deemed a risk.

Follow through of results will be shared with families according to the guidance as written on the BinaxNOW consent form. (include consent form link)

**Additional Resources:** Illinois Department of Public Health, Stephenson County Health Department, Illinois High School Association, Consent Form for Voluntary COVID-19 Testing ([https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MrSa2kjX8zflXqWYSuL\\_XaWqgUBKvbWzyRtEV7opqm0/edit#heading=h.j4pccon80t05](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MrSa2kjX8zflXqWYSuL_XaWqgUBKvbWzyRtEV7opqm0/edit#heading=h.j4pccon80t05))

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