

Asymptomatic on-site LFD testing for students September 2021

Further to previous correspondence, you will be able to book an appointment for your child's first on-site Lateral Flow Device (LFD) Test in September when the booking system opens on **10am on Monday 23 August 2021**. Please see the schedule below for the testing dates for each Year group; this relates to the Year group your child will be in when they return to school in September 2021. Our Parents' Evening Booking System will be used to coordinate appointments and this can be accessed via the following link once appointments are available to book next Monday. https://holdernessacademy.schoolcloud.co.uk/

If you have more than one child who attends the academy we ask that, where possible, a separate appointment is made for each child and that they attend on their allocated Test 1 Day. However, if this is not possible, please book one slot for both/all your children and email us at covid@holderness.academy to advise the names of your children who will be attending this appointment.

Please note, no child will be able to undertake a LFD test in school if we have not received prior parental consent. Therefore, if you haven't already done so, please see the consent links sent via email on 21 and 22 July 2021, which can also be found on page 2 of this document.

The schedule for Test 1 and the arrangements for students returning to school are as follows:

	Tuesday 7 September	Wednesday 8 September	Thursday 9 September	Friday 10 September
LFD Testing	Year 7, 12 and 13 Test 1	Year 10 and 11 Test 1	Year 8 and 9 Test 1	
Return to School		Year 7 and 12	Year 10, 11 and 13	Year 8 and 9

Test 1

Students should arrive at school no more than 5-minutes before their scheduled appointment and enter the academy via the Year 8 doors (Year 8 stairs entrance, which is to the left of the Main Reception); signposting will be in operation and staff will be on hand to support. Students arriving by car should be dropped off on the bus park and make their way to the dedicated entrance. The test should take no more than 5-minutes, however please allow 15-minutes. Only students who have booked appointments should enter the academy. Parents/carers dropping off are welcome to wait in on the bus park. Students should return home directly after their first LFD test.

Students are not required to attend in school uniform for their appointment on their Test 1 day.

Test 2

The second, and final, round of on-site testing (Test 2), will take place during the school day commencing with Years 7, 12 and 13 on Friday 10 September, Years 10 and 11 on Monday 13 September and concluding with Years 8 & 9 on Tuesday 14 September.

Following the two initial LFD tests on site, students will be provided with their 'test at home kits' and start testing at home on a twice-weekly basis.

Consent for asymptomatic on-site testing

The links below, to provide consent, were sent via email on 21/22 July 2021. If you have not yet provided consent for your child to be tested in school, please do so via the appropriate online link below. Parental consent is required for students in Years 7 to 11. * Students who will be attended Sixth Form in September 2021 should provide their own consent.

A separate online consent form must be completed for each child and we ask that you please access the consent link applicable to your child's Year group in September 2021.

Year Group	Link to consent form	
Year 7 Lateral Flow Testing Consent Form	https://forms.gle/mcd453ipYkHN3urx9	
Year 8 Lateral Flow Testing Consent Form	https://forms.gle/oQDsaGpRR3d7CvbS9	
Year 9 Lateral Flow Testing Consent Form	https://forms.gle/rvd7Dtiz6iB3aV4V8	
Year 10 Lateral Flow Testing Consent Form	https://forms.gle/xfTY8VSh6zUekLPU8	
Year 11 Lateral Flow Testing Consent Form	https://forms.gle/722H9Zcg3oCpBMHf9	
*Year 12 Lateral Flow Testing Consent Form	https://forms.gle/NSWNLv9hMbqNiWZo9	
*Year 13 Lateral Flow Testing Consent Form	https://forms.gle/SgJd3rgbLjCFkSmx5	

Testing is voluntary, and individuals will not be prevented from attending school if they do not take part. However, students are strongly encouraged to participate as testing regularly helps to reduce the spread of the virus in educational settings.

The 90-day window after a positive test

Current government guidance states that if someone has tested positive with a PCR test, they should not be tested using either PCR or rapid lateral flow tests for 90 days, unless they develop new symptoms during this time — in which case they should be retested immediately using PCR. We therefore request that you do not make a booking for your child if he/she has tested positive for Covid-19 within 90 days of their scheduled LFD test day in school (This 90-day period is from the initial onset of symptoms or, if asymptomatic when tested, their positive test result.)

Symptoms

We ask all families to note the health advice regarding your responsibilities to follow the guidance below, and not to send children to school if they have symptoms.

Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection