

To: El Dorado County School District Superintendents

From: Dr. Ed Manansala, County Superintendents of Schools
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Re: COVID-19 Testing System for El Dorado County Schools and Districts

The El Dorado County Office of Education, in collaboration with El Dorado County Public Health, has set in place both a surveillance and responsive testing system to support schools and districts throughout the county.

While the system is still in development and will be operational later this month, two community testing sites are currently available for COVID testing, one at Lake Tahoe Community College and one at the Placerville Fairgrounds. Testing takes just a minute of a person's time. Results are returned between 2-4 days later and determine whether you had an active COVID-19 infection at the time you were tested.

There is no barrier to being tested. The cost is covered either by medical insurance or by the State if you are uninsured, and if someone is without identification, testing staff will generate a unique identifier number to allow the person tested to obtain results. The only requirement is an appointment. Walk-ins are not accepted.

- To register for an appointment in Lake Tahoe, visit <https://lhi.care/covidtesting> or call 888-634-1123.
- To register for an appointment in Placerville visit <https://www.projectbaseline.com/study/covid-19/eligibility/>

Additionally, CVS at 4330 Latrobe Road, El Dorado Hills offers a no-cost drive-thru COVID-19 testing by appointment. Visit www.cvs.com for more information.

By September 28, 2020, several new regionalized surveillance testing sites will be established for exclusive use for our El Dorado County School Districts. Additional information on these sites and the process for accessing them will be sent to districts in the ensuing weeks.