

Case Finding COVID-19 Test Series at School

Dear Parents/Guardians

Below you will find important information regarding the COVID-19 saliva test in your child's school class. The test takes place weekly and is voluntary. Once consent has been given, it can be revoked at any time without explanation. Please be sure to adhere to the current health and safety concept of the BAG (Federal Office of Public Health) and your school.

Receipt of the pooled test result:

- The time it takes to receive the pooled test result varies and is subject to various factors (laboratory workload, transport). The class teacher can usually expect a result within a maximum of 6 to 10 hours.
- You will then receive the result from the school via the predetermined communication method (e-mail, circular telephone, individual notification, etc.).

Negative pooling result (COVID-19 not detected):

- No COVID-19 was detected in your child's class pool. Please encourage your child to continue participating in the screening program according to the school's guidelines.

Positive pooling result (COVID-19 was detected):

- The school management can move the class to distance learning (decision of the school management).
- The participants in the class pool carry out the obligatory diagnostic PCR test (spit test) as soon as possible at the Corona test centre in Muttenz or at one of the external testing centres.
- Information on opening hours and directions to the test centre in Muttenz and the external centres can be found at www.bl.ch/massentest.
- You will receive instructions on how to behave after this subsequent PCR examination directly after the test.
- No rapid antigen tests may be carried out to confirm the individual results (dissolve the pool).
- This diagnostic examination at the Corona test centre Feldreben (Muttenz) or at one of the external test centres is at the expense of the federal government and the results will be communicated to the BAG (Federal Office of Public Health).