

Mobile COVID-19 Testing Continues at Elgin Community College Next Week

February 5, 2021 – The Kane County Health Department (KCHD) announced today that a mobile testing unit managed by the Illinois Department of Public Health will continue at Elgin Community College all next week to provide Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) tests to the community.

The mobile testing unit will be available each day Monday, February 8 through Sunday, February 14 with the exception of Saturday, February 13 at Elgin Community College, 1700 Spartan Drive in Elgin from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or while supplies last.

Another event is scheduled for Saturday, causing the tests to be postponed for that date only.

Testing is free and open to all regardless of symptoms. If you have recently been exposed to a potential or confirmed COVID-19 case, you are encouraged to get tested, even if you are not experiencing symptoms. A phone number and name are required in order to receive testing results. Photo ID is not required.

Those using drive-thru testing must be seated at a functioning window. Once you get in line at the site, you will not be permitted to exit your car. Viral testing (polymerase chain reaction or PCR) will be used. This consists of a nasal swab and is used to detect a current COVID-19 infection. Antibody testing will not be provided at this site. The virus can take up to 14 days to be detectable by a test, so it is important to continue the quarantine period through 14 days while monitoring for symptoms. Test results are expected in 4 - 7 calendar days.

The free drive-through community-based COVID-19 testing site in Aurora has relocated to 2450 N. Farnsworth Ave., across from the Chicago Premium Outlets. The drive-through and walk-up testing site is open 7 days a week from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Testing is free and available to all regardless of age, COVID-19 symptoms, or insurance status. A parent or guardian must be present and able to provide consent for individuals under the age of 18.

Additional testing options are available in Kane County. For more information about all available testing sites in Kane County, visit the IDPH website at Test-Illinois.com Many healthcare providers in Kane County also have COVID-19 testing available. Please contact your provider or the facility to ask about testing criteria and appointment availability. For additional information and current updates on the COVID-19 situation, visit the KCHD website at KaneHealth.com or call the health department at 630-208-3801.

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