

COVID-19 Testing Expands in Kane County with State Mobile Unit July 27 – August 2

July 24, 2020 – The Kane County Health Department (KCHD) announced today that a mobile testing unit managed by the Illinois Department of Public Health will be in several municipalities in Kane County next week to provide Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) tests to the community. Testing is free and open to all regardless of symptoms.

The mobile testing unit will be available in Aurora, Carpentersville, Elgin, Geneva, and St. Charles on certain dates from July 27 to August 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Monday, July 27	Regional Office of Education, 28 N 1st St, Geneva, IL 60134
Tuesday, July 28	Kimball Middle School, 451 N McLean Blvd, Elgin, IL 60123
Wednesday, July 29	Kimball Middle School, 451 N McLean Blvd, Elgin, IL 60123
Thursday, July 30	Dundee Crown High School, 1500 Kings Rd, Carpentersville, IL 60110
Friday, July 31	Illinois Youth Center, 4450 State Route 38, Saint Charles, IL 60175 (<i>Public hours limited to 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.</i>)
Saturday, August 1	Main Baptist Church, 814 E Galena Blvd, Aurora, IL 60505.
Sunday, August 2	Dundee Crown High School, 1500 Kings Rd, Carpentersville, IL 60110

Anyone can be tested. 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. A driver's license or other form of photo identification is requested. High demand for testing may result in long wait times.

The testing site at the ROE in Geneva on July 27 is a walk-up site only, so people will be asked to use street parking or the public parking lots nearby. Expect to wait in line, socially distanced, before taking the test.

Those using drive-thru testing at the Elgin and Carpentersville locations must be seated at a functioning window. Once you get in line at the site, you will not be permitted to exit your car. These sites will also accommodate walk-up individuals.

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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. If you have been told to quarantine for 14 days due to potential exposure, a negative test does not shorten your quarantine period. 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 3 - 7 days.

Additional testing options are available in Kane County. The Community-Based Testing Site, located at the Chicago Premium Outlet Mall, 1650 Premium Outlet Blvd. in Aurora is open 7 days a week from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Testing at this site is free. For more information about all available testing sites in Kane County, visit the IDPH website at https://dph.illinois.gov/covid19/covid-19-testing-sites.

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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