



## Seattle Academy COVID Testing Students, Faculty, and Staff

Seattle Academy, in partnership with The Altius Institute and Remote Medical International, will provide a free, COVID-19 PCR testing opportunity for all students, faculty and/or staff on the Seattle Academy campus. These testing events will provide a baseline COVID status for students prior to their returning to in-person, on campus hybrid schedule later this month. Testing is optional, but we strongly encourage everyone to participate.

**When: Middle School student COVID testing will be our first testing event and occur on the following dates at the Seattle Academy Spring Street Garage:**

**Sunday, February 21**  
**Monday, February 22**

**8:00 AM to 6:00 PM**  
**7:30 AM to 7:30 PM**

This will be a drive thru PCR screening event with three lanes available for testing without leaving the vehicle and a fourth location allowing for walk up as necessary. Tests will be administered by medical professionals provided by Remote Medical International using a nasal swab collection process. Specimens will be analyzed and results provided by Altius Institute within 24 to 48 hours of collection.

Registration **is required** for each student, faculty, or staff member wanting to test at Seattle Academy on either of these dates. Please [REGISTER HERE](#). After registering, you will be directed to a sign-up sheet where you can choose an available time for the testing to occur.

**Why is this important to the SAAS Community?** Testing will help identify people who have contracted the coronavirus but are asymptomatic and therefore might not otherwise be tested. This will support a safer return to campus for our SAAS community by being able to identify asymptomatic carriers in an effort to catch the virus earlier, before it spreads.

**What happens after you receive results?** You will receive instructions on how to retrieve your results. Seattle Academy will also receive the results. Information will be provided to public health agencies as required by law.

Everyone who tests negative can return to school in person as planned.

If tests results are positive for COVID-19, the person taking the test will be asked to isolate and/or quarantine per the CDC and/or the Washington Department of Health guidelines which SAAS follows. They will be contacted by Seattle Academy and by public health to begin contact tracing protocols. Once the isolation and/or quarantine period has ended and they show no symptoms of COVID-19, the individual with the positive test will be allowed back on campus for their in-person hybrid schedule. If a student feels well enough at any time during this, they are welcome to attend their classes remotely.

Documented test results obtained at lab testing sites outside of this Seattle Academy event will be accepted and added to the SAAS community health information for tracking.

**Upper School COVID-19 Baseline tests will be held on March 4 - March 6 on the Seattle Academy campus prior to the Upper School return to in-person learning on campus scheduled for March 8. Information will follow for Upper School families to register closer to that event.**

Ongoing testing dates may be announced throughout the end of the school year.