

Dear Parents,

We wanted to let you know that St. Aloysius (St. Als) has been able to obtain designation as a point-of-care (POC) testing site for its students under school-imposed quarantine, athletes, and employees. A POC testing facility is one that administers point-of-care (POC) tests, such as rapid tests for diagnosing COVID-19. Results must be reported to the Washington State Department of Health (DOH). To report POC test results to DOH, St. Als will be using the SimpleReport web-based application. This is a simpler, more streamlined method to submit COVID-19 POC test results, which helps to reduce the testing process burden on the school.

This is truly a blessing that allows us to help continue to keep the school operating under these unusual times.

Due to the very limited resources, testing supplies and testing facilitators, only K-8 individual students who are under school-imposed quarantine, students who are required to test for school athletics, and all St. Als employees will be able to be tested at the school. In addition to the resource constraints, ELC students will not be tested at St. Als due to the nature of the test, self-administered. The ELC parents/guardians are advised to obtain guidance/testing from their pediatrician or one of the local testing site locations provided by the Washington State Department of Health's website for additional COVID-19 testing sites.

We have linked our Frequently Asked Questions document for your review.

[W St. Al's FAQ 11.5.21.docx](#) Please contact Kelli Kelly at kkelly@stalsschool.org or (509)489-7825 if you have questions regarding St. Al's COVID testing protocols, etc.

As always, we appreciate your continued partnership and support in the ever-changing landscape of COVID.

Blessings,

Angie, Dawn and Julie