

March 3, 2021

Dear staff and families,

To continue to support our schools, students, staff and families, York Region District School Board is pleased to be able to facilitate in partnership with York Region Public Health and the Ministry of Education, voluntary targeted COVID-19 testing. In addition to daily screening, masking and the other [health and safety measures](#), targeted testing in schools is an important layer of protection that helps to limit the spread of COVID-19.

This is in addition to the testing being offered weekly by Ontario Health as outlined in the [communication from York Region Public Health](#).

Targeted testing will help ensure that our schools remain a safe environment for all to learn and work in.

This testing is being offered to the staff, students and families of:

- Keswick HS
- Fairwood PS
- Jersey PS
- Lake Simcoe PS
- Lakeside PS
- RL Graham PS
- WJ Watson PS

Targeted COVID-19 testing is voluntary for students and staff without symptoms (asymptomatic) and will take place:

Dates and Location:

Keswick HS

100 Biscayne Blvd.
Keswick, ON
L4P 3S2

Friday, March 5, 2021

4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Saturday March 6, 2021

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Consent will be required from parents or guardians of students under 18 years old. Please take note of the following:

- We encourage you to [register in advance for the COVID-19 testing using the vendor's online portal](#).
- Once this information is entered, you will be able to book a time for testing.
- Once you have completed the registration process you will receive an email with a QR code.
- When you arrive at the testing location at the school, please make sure to be wearing a mask and to bring your QR code and your child's health card.

- Walk-in appointments will be accommodated to the best of our ability (please remember to bring your health cards and a parent/guardian must accompany children under 18).
- If you have any questions about the registration process, please contact booking@gvtlabs.ca.

The school and the board will communicate with parents, guardians and staff should the need for future targeted testing dates arise.

This site is offering asymptomatic testing only. After being tested, you do not need to self-isolate while waiting for results unless you have:

- Been identified as a close contact of a confirmed case of COVID-19; OR
- Travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days; OR
- Have one or more symptoms of COVID-19; OR
- Been tested due to a potential exposure to someone with COVID-19 or part of a cohort of students that have been dismissed at a school

We continue to ask all students and staff to self-monitor for signs and symptoms of COVID-19. This includes completing the [daily self-assessment for symptoms](#) before attending school.