

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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# Neighborhood COVID-19 Test Sites Available Beginning Sept. 24

High Schools To Host Testing Locations

Additional community-based COVID-19 testing sites are scheduled to open in the city of Las Vegas beginning Thursday Sept. 24.

The hours for these new locations will be 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. with the first site at Clark High School, 4291 Pennwood Ave., open Sept. 24-25. The testing will be at the school's auxiliary gymnasium off Sirius Avenue. In addition, a site at Western High School, 4601 W. Bonanza Road, is scheduled to be open Oct. 8-9, and a site at Cimarron-Memorial High School, 2301 N. Tenaya Way, is scheduled for Oct. 15-16.

These sites will be open to the public and tests will be administered on a first-come, firstserved basis. Testing is recommended for both symptomatic and asymptomatic individuals. The Southern Nevada Health District, the Nevada National Guard, Guardian Elite Medical Services and American Medical Response are operating these sites in partnership with the city of Las Vegas and Clark County.

A calendar of testing events sponsored by the health district is available in English and Spanish on its website at <u>www.SNHD.info/covid</u>. The state of Nevada also has a COVID-19 test locator tool on its website at <u>www.healthresponse.nv.gov</u> that lists labs, pharmacies and other testing resources.

Patients receive test results from the provider that performed their COVID-19 test. All results, positive or negative, are reported to the health district. Officials are working to increase contact tracing and disease investigation efforts, following up with patients who test positive for the virus and their contacts. Those who receive phone calls, texts or email notifications of a positive test result from the health district are encouraged to follow self-isolation instructions to limit the spread of the virus.

COVID-19 symptoms include fever, cough and shortness of breath. People with general questions about COVID-19 can call the health district's information phone line at 702.759.INFO (4636), between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Anyone in need of social service support to self-isolate can contact Nevada 2-1-1 for resource referrals. Information about COVID-19 resources

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also is available in Spanish through the "Esta En Tus Manos" (It's in your hands) outreach initiative at <u>https://estaentusmanosnevada.com</u>.

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