

# OCONOMOWOC AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT RANDOM STUDENT DRUG TESTING Q & A

## **How will the drug test be administered?**

The test will be administered immediately after the student is notified that he or she has been randomly selected that day.

## **Where will the test be administered?**

The test will be administered on-site in a designated private restroom. The student's privacy will be taken into account when the test is administered.

## **Who will administer the drug test?**

ProHealth Care clinicians with specialized training will collect the urine sample from the student.

## **What substances are being tested for?**

Substances may include but are not limited to marijuana, opiates (heroin), oxycodone, ecstasy, methadone, barbiturates, benzodiazepine, methamphetamines, cocaine, phencyclidine (PCP).

## **When will my child be tested?**

Your child will be tested at a time that does not interfere with scheduled classroom activities such as exams.



## **Who will know the results of the drug test?**

The school will specifically designate the individuals who will be made aware of the results in the school's drug testing policy to assure that the highest level of confidentiality is maintained. However, it is common for students to tell others about their test results.

## **Will I know what day my child will be tested?**

No. Random drug testing programs are effective deterrents because no one knows when he or she may be tested. Note: Parents/Guardians of students in 7th and 8th grade will be given one-hour advance notice when their student has been selected for random testing so they may be present for testing due to the age of the student.

## **What if my child refuses to participate?**

Students who refuse to participate will remain ineligible for participation in athletics, co-curricular or parking privileges until tested.

## **How will I be notified of the results?**

The process is different for negative and positive results. For students with a negative test result, the designated school official will notify the parent/guardian of the student by mail or email within three days of the District receiving the test results. Initial positive test results require further investigation by ProHealth Care's Medical Review Officer (MRO). When a positive result is confirmed, the parent/guardian of the student will be contacted by phone by the MRO.

## **Will positive results be confirmed?**

Positive results will be confirmed by a Medical Review Officer (MRO) in order to rule out that the positive laboratory result is related to prescribed medications. If the MRO determines the initial test is positive due to legally prescribed drugs, the test is officially reported to the school as negative and no further action is taken.

## **What are the consequences for the student with a positive test result?**

Consequences vary depending on the circumstances and are outlined in the District policy which accompanies this Q & A.

## **What will happen to my child's record when he/she leaves the school?**

Records for random student drug testing will be kept in confidential files separate from all other school records. When the student graduates or leaves the school, these records will be destroyed.

## **Will student drug testing results affect future educational and professional opportunities?**

Results from random student drug tests are strictly confidential and are protected by federal law for public schools [See FERPA and PPRA]. Colleges will not ask for drug test results, nor can results be released to them.