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Changes Occurring at COVID-19 Community Testing Site at Blackhawk Technical College's Central Campus

Rock County, WI — Changes will be occurring at the COVID-19 community testing site located at Blackhawk Technical College beginning Wednesday, February 3rd, 2021. Testing will be changing from a drive-through method to an indoor walk-in method. This change will ensure that COVID testing can remain open regardless of outdoor temperature.

The testing will take place in Parking Lot H, adjoining the former test area. Please continue to enter off of Highway 51 and follow the signs on campus. You will remain in your vehicle until it is your turn for testing. We ask for your patience while we adjust our process.

Free COVID-19 testing is available <u>weekly on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.</u> at Blackhawk Technical College – Central Campus, located at 6004 South County Highway G, Janesville WI. Testing is planned to continue weekly through March 10th, 2021. **Pre-registration is strongly recommended** but the public can register themselves on-site if necessary. Please pre-register at <u>register.covidconnect.wi.gov</u>. A Spanish-language interpreter will be available periodically for those who don't speak English.

In collaboration with Rock County and the Wisconsin National Guard, 650 COVID-19 tests per day are available to anyone five years and older. Testing is encouraged for those with COVID-19 symptoms including:

- Cough
- Fever
- Sudden Loss of Taste/Smell
- Shortness of Breath
- Sore Throat
- Fatigue

- Muscle Pain
- Nausea or Vomiting
- Chills
- Headache
- Diarrhea
- Congestion or Runny Nose

Volunteers are needed to fill support functions at the testing site. People interested in volunteering can register on-line at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D44A9AE2BA4F4C43-covid

We continue to closely monitor the impacts of COVID-19 and provide information to assist residents and businesses to respond to the emergency as it evolves. Stay up to date by visiting https://coronavirus-response-rockcountylio.hub.arcgis.com/.

For additional information, members of the public can contact the Rock County Emergency Operations Center at 608-758-8440 or jic.jic@co.rock.wi.us.

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Rock County is committed to transparent and equitable access to the COVID-19 vaccine for our community. As we receive information from local healthcare providers, pharmacies, and state and federal partners, this will be shared with the community through media outlets. Be sure to watch the news and follow the Rock County Public Health Department's social media and website for updates.