

Teller County COVID-19 Joint Information Center



Teller County Opens COVID-19 Testing Sites

TELLER COUNTY, COLORADO - Teller County is offering COVID-19 testing sites. The schedule is below.

Jan. 3	Jan. 4 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park	Jan. 5 Testing Site Closed	Jan. 6 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park	Jan. 7 Testing Site Closed	Jan. 8 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park	Jan. 9
Jan. 10	Jan. 11 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park	Jan. 12 Testing Site Closed	Jan. 13 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park	Jan. 14 Testing Site Closed	Jan. 15 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park	Jan. 16
Jan. 17	Jan. 18 Martin Luther King Day No Testing	Jan. 19 Testing Site Closed	Jan. 20 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park	Jan. 21 Testing Site Closed	Jan. 22 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park	Jan. 23
Jan. 24	Jan. 25 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park	Jan. 26 Testing Site Closed	Jan. 27 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park	Jan. 28 Testing Site Closed	Jan. 29 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park	Jan. 30
Jan. 31	Feb. 1 9a-1p Hayden Divide Park					

KEY: Hayden Divide Park = Hayden Divide Community Park – 211 Rhyolite City Ave., Divide, CO 80814

Symptomatic or 7-10 Days After Exposure to a Lab-Confirmed Case of COVID-19

Teller County is now testing people 3 years of age and older.

Please DO NOT eat, drink, use mouth wash, chew gum or smoke for at least 20 minutes before your test.

Your results will be emailed directly to you.

If you do not provide an email address, you can call for your results - 1-888-702-9042

Who can be tested?

- Individuals 3 years of age and above experiencing symptoms of COVID-19.
 - For a list of COVID-19 Symptoms visit the CDC website - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>
- Individuals 3 and above that were exposed 7-10 days ago to someone with COVID-19 that had a lab confirmed positive test.

What are the steps to getting tested?

1. Drive to the designated testing site with a valid ID and park in the designated testing spot.
2. Please **DO NOT** eat, drink, use mouth wash, brush your teeth, chew gum, or smoke for at least 20 minutes before your test.
3. Stay in your car. A staff member wearing the appropriate personal protective equipment will come to your car to verify your information, educate you on how to collect specimen, and provide you with additional information. The oral swab is NOT a home collection kit; collection of the specimen MUST be observed by a trained health care professional. You can view the video instructions at this website <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LNopEE7IC6E>
4. Specimens are sent to the laboratory and should be processed within three (3) days.
5. If you are tested with an oral swab, your results will be emailed to you (be sure to provide an accurate email address). You will be provided with additional information about how to retrieve your results when you are tested.

COVID-19 Test Kit Instructions

! Please use caution when handling the sample collection tube. The contents are used to stabilize sample stabilization. However they are hazardous. DO NOT EAT OR DRINK. CONTENTS can cause skin and eye irritation. Use caution in handling this tube. Call poison control if you come in contact with this sample stabilization solution.

DO NOT HAVE...

- 🍎 food
- 🥤 drinks
- 🗑️ mouthwash
- 🕒 20 MINUTES before the swab collection

If you have trouble following the instructions, contact us: support@curativeveinc.com

1. Open the bag, peel open the swab package and remove the swab. Do not touch the swab or place swab on any surface area before or after sample collection.
2. Hold the swab on its score line. Cough deeply 3-5 times and swish phlegm or spit around mouth. Then swab: a. inside of each cheek b. upper and lower gums, c. underneath and top of tongue, d. roof of mouth.
3. Uncap the lid of the tube and insert the swab with the saline sample into the tube with the swab side down. Do not spill or drink the liquid. Carefully break the swab at the score line.
4. Securely cap the tube. Turn it upside down several times to mix specimen with tube solution.
5. Put the tube back into the biohazard bag, ensure the absorbent pad is inside, and seal the top of the bag.
6. Return sample bag back to sample collection facilitator.

48 Results will be available within 48 hours of receipt of sample to the lab.

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For more information on viral testing and other testing that may be provided by healthcare providers visit CDC website.

Why is it important to get tested?

A viral test tells you if you are positive or negative for COVID-19 at the time of the test

- If you test positive for COVID-19, know what protective steps to take *If You Are Sick or Caring for Someone*.
- If you test negative for COVID-19, you probably were not infected at the time your sample was collected. However, that does not mean you will not get sick. It is possible that you were very early in your infection when your sample was collected and that you could test positive later. Or you could be exposed later and then develop illness. In other words, a negative test result does not mean you won't get sick later. This means you could still spread the virus.

Other Questions:

How much does it cost?

- There is currently no cost associated with this test at this time.

I don't qualify for testing at this site, what are my other options for testing?

- Call your primary care doctor or your child's pediatrician for options.
- For other options in El Paso County [click here](#)
- For options in Park County [click here](#)

What if I am a first responder or health care provider?

- Symptomatic or exposed first responders and health care workers are able to test at testing sites
- There are other options available to workers in these fields through their employers. Speak with your supervisor to learn about any additional testing options that may be available.

What else can I do to report my symptoms?

- For more information visit [Colorado Community Symptom Support Tool](#)