



Pool Testing FAQs & WHAT IFs

- **My test is part of a testing pool. What does this mean?** A testing pool means that your test sample will be tested with nine other samples, all mixed. Pooled samples provide the advantage of testing a large number of individuals with few resources. Therefore, a negative result means all 10 people in the pool are negative for COVID. A positive result means that at least one of the 10 persons in the pool is positive. Therefore, further testing will be required. Instructions regarding further testing for those in a positive pool will be provided to you by a member of the MU Cougar Cares Team.
- **When can I expect my test results?** Results will be available in approximately 48-72 hours.
- **How will I get my results?** You will get an email letting you know when your results are ready to be viewed.
- **What if my test pool is positive?** If you are part of a positive test pool, you will receive an email with directions for further testing. Someone from the Cougar Care Team will be in contact with you as well.
- **Can I be on campus prior to getting my test result?** No. You must leave campus at the conclusion of your test today. You are not permitted back on campus until you test negative.
- **Where will I go if I am positive for COVID?** You will need to leave campus for the duration of your isolation period. This applies to those who live in campus housing.
- You are not permitted on MU campus if any of the following apply to you:
 - YOU EXPERIENCE SYMPTOMS
 - ARE REQUIRED TO QUARANTINE
 - ARE EXPOSED TO SOMEONE WITH COVID
 - TEST POSITIVE FOR COVID

Please direct any further questions to MU COUGAR CARE -- cougarcare@misericordia.edu

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