



Wirral Met College

Volunteering Opportunities – Covid-19 Testing Team

Wirral Metropolitan College - Covid-19 National Testing Programme. Would you, or someone you know, like to get involved? Perhaps you are furloughed or have some spare time on your hands.

We are looking for individuals to volunteer to be part of our COVID-19 on site testing team, initially at our Conway Park Campus, to support the national programme of Coronavirus testing in schools and colleges.

As a volunteer you will be supporting both the College and local community in the local testing process. Our volunteers will be facilitating the College's testing process by providing guidance and supervision to students and staff on test swabs, and ensuring that testing stations are cleaned or preparing test samples for analysis, processing them and interpreting test results.

Our Ideal Volunteer

Don't worry if you have no prior testing experience as there is both a well-defined training programme and strict procedures in place and you'll always be working with experienced personnel. More importantly for us, you'll have the right attitude – great interpersonal skills and supportive nature, probably gained through experience of working in a customer service role or with young people. If you're first aid trained or have a healthcare background that would be a bonus but not essential.

Flexible shifts would be offered, typically between the times of 8.30am – 5pm. We anticipate that you would need to be on site for a minimum of 5 hours.

Essentials to be eligible

We're following Government guidance so there are some stipulations for you to be eligible to volunteer.

- You must be over 18 and in general good health with no symptoms of COVID-19, nor must anyone in your household, and you must be prepared to take a daily test.
- You must not be classified, or live with anyone classified, as belonging to any of the COVID-19 high-risk groups. Details of this are frequently updated on the Gov.uk website.
- You must not have a long-term health condition.
- You must not be pregnant.
- You must not have immune deficiencies through medical conditions or therapy.
- And finally, you'll have access to your own laptop or device so that you can complete the on-line learning programme remotely prior to starting.



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Have we sparked your interest?

We're hoping your answer is 'yes', if so please send an email to covid.testingvolunteer@wmc.ac.uk to request an application form which we will email back to you for completion.

Whilst this is an unpaid role, we're able to reimburse your expenses to cover travel (e.g. bus fares, taxi and parking), food & drink up to £15 per volunteering session that you participate in.

We'll also provide you with appropriate PPE.

Wirral Metropolitan College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Enhanced DBS checks will be required for volunteers.

Wirral Metropolitan College is actively committed to maintaining an environment which promotes and embeds equality, diversity and inclusion as a core value and welcome applications from all sections of the community. The College ensures the principles of the Equality Act 2010 are adhered to and all job applicants and employees are treated equitably and fairly.