

FAQs

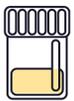
GICC Random Drug Testing Policy

Grand Island Central Catholic Schools Random Drug Testing Policy Adopted December 2016



Will all ages be tested for drugs?

Our school's Advisory Board approved testing 8th - 12th grade students, potentially adding 7th and 6th grades in the future.



How will the students be tested?

The screening is a urine test that will be done in privacy with direction by / supervision of both the school nurse and 1 gender-appropriate school administrator.



For what drugs will my student be tested?

GICC will use a 10-panel test with an opiate extension. Substances included are: alcohol, amphetamines, cannabinoids, cocaine, hallucinogens, marijuana, methadone, methaqualone, propoxyphene, and prescription medications.



Who reads the confidential results?

Our certified school nurse will read the results, and non-negative tests will be sent to the WPCI Lab for substance identification, which takes 3-5 days.



What if my student's test is non-negative?

All non-negative specimens will be sent to the WPCI Lab for substance identification, which takes 3-5 days. After the substance is identified, results are provided to school administration, as well as to the parents.



What are common causes of non-negative results not associated with illegal drugs?

Medications in the following classifications may cause a non-negative result. The medication classes include: Antihistamines, Antidepressants, Antibiotics, Analgesics, Antipsychotics, Decongestants and certain Over The Counter products. These classes will be identified by the WPCI Lab. If any of these substances are identified, the drug test will be considered negative if a student is prescribed any of the above medication.



What will happen if my student's non-negative test is positive for illegal drugs?

Since the testing is being done as a helpful tool for students (not to be punitive) GICC will vary its actions depending on the quantity of positive test results.

***1st positive offense** - A meeting will take place with the student, at least 1 parent and the school counselor/administrator. Test again after 20 days.

****2nd positive offense** - Student must complete chemical dependency screening at external agency. Test again after 40 days.

*****3rd positive offense** - GICC assumes the student isn't demonstrating improvement or remaining drug and/or alcohol free, which may lead to dismissal from GICC. Our drug and alcohol school policy will hold students accountable if a drug test is positive.



Who pays for the testing?

Grand Island Central Catholic Schools will pay for every random drug test administered in the school. Parents are financially responsible for the follow-up testing fees which are \$35+



Can GICC legally do random drug testing?

Yes, the school consulted legal counsel and can facilitate and complete said testing.



Can GICC families opt out?

No, doing so would be against our school policy, which could be grounds for dismissal from Grand Island Central Catholic.



What if I still have questions?

See GICC's policy in its entirety at

gicentralcatholic.org

Or call our administrators:
Steve Osborn, *Superintendent*
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