COVID-19 Self-test

As of Monday 12th, of April, Lyceum students in many areas of the country will return to school. Before attending their classes every week, all students will have to conduct two self-tests at home. The results of the 1st test has to be provided to the school every Monday, and the results of the 2nd test every Thursday. Without the test results, it will not be possible to attend class and students will be marked as absent. For Special Needs Schools, the authorities recommend doing the self-test, however it is not compulsory.

Where can I get a self-test?

At the pharmacy! Adult students (over 18 years old) will be given self-tests by providing their AMKA (Social Security Number), PAMKA (Provisional AMKA) or PAAYPA (Provisional Insurance and Health Care Number), as well as an identification document (e.g. Asylum Card, Residence Permit). For students that are under 18 years old, parents/guardians will be given the test by showing the student's AMKA, PAMKA or PAAYPA, as well as an identification document of their own (parent's/guardian's). In case you do not have AMKA, PAMKA or PAAYPA, or are facing difficulties, visit one of the public services on this list:
 https://self-testing.gov.gr/eody-stathera-simeia.pdf. [1]
During the next weeks, every student is entitled to 4 tests in total (2 tests per week).

How do I conduct the Self-Test?

A video with instructions on how to conduct the self-test is available here:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uqy9EtE1uuE (in Greek).
You can also ask for help from medical staff, a pharmacist, or a social worker that you know.
Lyceum students that are over 18 years old can conduct the self-test on their own.

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[1] [1] To identify your PAAYPA, please go to the official page :https://www.amka.gr/have-paaypa/ (available in multiple languages). To identify your AMKA, please access official page: https://www.amka.gr/AMKAGR. (in Greek only).

Students older than 13 years old can carry it out on their own, as long as they are under parental or guardian supervision.

What should I do once I conduct the COVID19 self-test?

Once you have done the COVID19 self-test, you must declare it as per below:

1. Access the self-testing.gov.gr online platform and select:

School card for COVID-19: Declaration of results for the issuance of a school card for parents / guardians of students and adult students.

Fill in the personal data section and then submit the result of the self-test to issue an official confirmation.

2. If you are a parent/guardian of an **asylum-seeking student**, you can authorize the school principal or the refugee education coordinator to enter the self-testing.gov platform.gr and issue the COVID-19 school card on behalf of the student.

What do I do once the self-test results are released?

If the test is positive, a school card with a positive result should be issued through the platform and another test (re-test) should be conducted within 24 hours. You can conduct the re-test at one of the public institutions available here: https://self-testing.gov.gr/eody-stathera-simeia.pdf. The public institutions operate during morning hours, from Monday to Friday (for the opening hours see the list above).

To conduct the re-test, you must have the official confirmation from the self-testing.gr platform showing that your test was positive. If the re-test is positive, the student and those close to them must self-isolate according to the National Public Health Organization(EODY) guidelines.

If the re-test is negative, a confirmation of the results will be provided to you.

Absences from school will not be taken into account if you provide a proof of the re-test results. If the test result is "invalid", visit one of the above public institutions.

Attention! Throw out the self-test in a waste basket. If the test is positive, place it in 2 closed waste bags first, before throwing it out!
The self-tests are not recyclable and should not be discharged of in drains.