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## **COVID-19 Test Kit Supply Exhausted at Prince George's Libraries**

Please temporarily refrain from publishing statements that the Library is currently offering test kits. This is creating significant confusion for customers while no kits are available.

Largo, Md. – The Prince George's County Memorial Library System's supply of COVID-19 rapid antigen self-test kits has been exhausted. The Library is resupplied on a biweekly basis by the Maryland Department of Health and Prince George's County Health Department (subject to change). The next resupply will not be available for customers to pick up until Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at the earliest (pending final confirmation). An announcement will be issued via pgcmls.info and @PGCMLS on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram when additional test kits become available. Customers should call (240) 455-5451 or email askalibrarian@pgcmls.info with questions.

Library staff are maintaining a COVID-19 Testing Resources guide that can help individuals source PCR and rapid antigen testing from various local and online providers. Visit <a href="mailto:pgcmls.info/coronavirus">pgcmls.info/coronavirus</a> for more information. PGCMLS has distributed 8,208 test kits (representing 16,416 individual tests) since November 24. Given high customer demand, tests are typically being claimed on the same day that they become available at branches (within 2-8 hours).

The Library's remaining <u>COVID-19 vaccine clinics</u> are listed below. First, second, or booster doses are available at each clinic. Appointments are not required. The supply of vaccines is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Vaccines for children are going quickly at the Library's clinics and may not be available if you arrive toward the end of the scheduled clinic time.

Branch	Date	Time	Vaccines Offered	Ages
Glenarden	Wed, Dec 22	3-7 pm	COVID-19 Pfizer	5+
Hillcrest Heights	Tue, Dec 28	3-7 pm	COVID-19 Pfizer	5+
<u>Spauldings</u>	Tue, Dec 28	3-7 pm	COVID-19 Pfizer	5+
New Carrollton	Mon, Jan 10	12-5 pm	COVID-19 Pfizer	5+
New Carrollton	Tue, Jan 18	5-7 pm	COVID-19 Pfizer; Flu	12+

The Library will be closed December 24-27 and December 31-January 3 for the holidays. Branches will be open December 28-29 (12-8 pm) and December 30 (10 am-6 pm). View the map of branches here.

## **Graphics Package**

## About the Prince George's County Memorial Library System

The <u>Prince George's County Memorial Library System</u> (PGCMLS) helps customers discover and define opportunities that shape their lives. The Library serves the 967,000+ residents of Prince George's County, Maryland through 19 branch libraries, a <u>24/7 online library</u>, and pop-up services throughout the community. PGCMLS is a responsive and trusted community-driven organization. Programs, services, and outreach activities serve booklovers, immigrants and refugees, job seekers, children, young professionals, seniors, and families alike. Learn more at <u>pgcmls.info/about-us</u>.

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