

Short testing update for the 9am call

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Testing is a critical path item for research and academic ramp-up

What kind of work will you be doing when you are on campus?

(August 20, 2020 Covid Pass User Survey)




Here is what we said we would do:

- Scale-up testing to demonstrate capability and learn quickly
- Noting that time is of the essence and this is a critical path item

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Aug 9	10	11	12	13 Push to 1500; 465 tests at Medical	14 Push to 2000, 563 tests at Medical	15
16	17 Push to 2500; Required training notification; Survey	18 Push to 3000	19	20 Student training required	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 UG move in
30 UG move in	31 Reg Day	Sep 1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Labor Day	8 In Person Classes	9	10	11	12

8100 tests last week

(~10% of the testing in the Commonwealth on each day T-F)

- Monday = 957
 - Tuesday = 1930, long lines in morning but quickly added capacity
 - Wednesday = 1839, wait times ~20 min or less
 - Thursday = 1872
 - Friday = 1506
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- Excellent turn-around time (<24 hours)
 - **Most importantly the system is working: identified 3 positives, contact tracing moved quickly**

In general things went smoothly W-F

Ian,

Impressed and hopeful: I went to get the test at MIT medical at 10:50 AM, I was done 7 mins later and I got my result 8 hours later.

I think we will be OK

Best regards,

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Latest updates/work in progress

- New schedule: 6am-6pm, M-F
- New line management
- New acknowledgement form for all
- New daily communications for all (email and push)
- Still waiting on approval for unobserved self-swabbing
- Working on data integrity
 - People in Covid Pass who should not be (sending lists to DLCs to verify)
 - People who should be in Covid Pass, but are not (e.g. some contractors)
- DSL making significant progress on residential compliance (376→8)
- Revising Covid Pass language to make it more appropriate for residents
- Providing information on wait times in the app
- Tabletop exercises for failure modes and development of back-up plans

Conclusion

- **Please continue to use the new website!** <http://covidapps.mit.edu/>
- **Please use the help desk!** CovidApps-help@mit.edu
- Please continue to be flexible and patient as we prepare for the return of more students
- We will do our best to communicate changes as we go