

ELC SCHOOL REOPENING GRANT

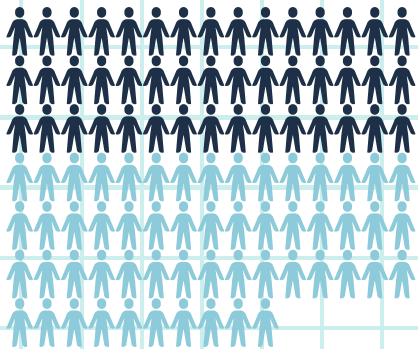
NYS Department of Health required all unvaccinated teachers and staff to be tested weekly as well as weekly screening offered to all students



GRANT GOAL

Provide support to schools by establishing covid-19 screening and diagnostic testing in order to reduce virus transmission to maintain in person learning.

1,962 unique individuals; 45% of Essex County school population was served with school based testing.



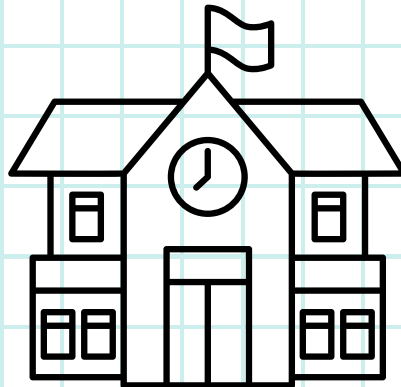
15 Participating Schools

- Public Schools: 10
- Private Schools: 4
- BOCES: 1



Dilemma:

Limited access to covid-19 testing and long turn around time for test results



Approach:



Expanded access to covid-19 testing from 3 locations to 18 in Essex County

Weekly meetings with superintendents and continuous collaboration with school nurses, administrators, parents, and faculty



Provided a constant supply of PPE and testing materials

Provided testing services 162 days out of 180 in session school days



Traveled 10,742 Miles to provide screening services and supplies to schools

Expanded Health Department staffing by 25%



Tests Accessed through School Based Testing

Quadrant Screening & Diagnostic

ID NOW Diagnostic

Antigen Screening

