

CRHS Random Drug Testing Policy

Introduction

Cardinal Ritter High School's purpose for randomly drug testing our students:

- To provide a reason for students to say "no" to illegal and harmful substances.
- To identify a student choosing to take illegal or harmful substances, so as to provide him/her and his/her family the support needed to fight addiction or identify a possible situation where addiction is possible and support that student on a more healthy course for his/her life.
- To be used as a tool for Cardinal Ritter and families to openly talk about drug use, addiction, and the dangers drug use can pose.

Applicability

The policy applies to every CRHS student (9th-12th grade) from the day of freshman orientation until the student's last school affiliated event is completed as a senior. The policy applies at all times and in all places, throughout the student's enrollment at CRHS. There are no times, no days, no places, and no circumstances in which the policy does not apply.

Random Testing for Drug Usage

On an annual basis, approximately 20% of the students enrolled at Cardinal Ritter High School will be subject to screening for drug usage on a randomly selected basis. Testing will occur through the school year on a monthly basis. Consequently, some students may be tested more than once a year. There are no charges to families for random drug test which occur as part of the school-wide random testing program.

Drug Testing Method

Cardinal Ritter High School has entered into a contract with Indiana Testing Inc., a licensed clinical laboratory to provide on school premise collection and off site analysis of urine/saliva samples. The test(s) will screen for marijuana, cocaine, opiates, nicotine, amphetamines (both ecstasy and methamphetamines), and phencyclidine (PCP). Additionally, the test will identify a range of use (light, moderate, or heavy).

Student Code of Conduct

Please refer to CRHS Student Code of Conduct for information pertaining to notification of results, as well as CRHS's complete Substance Use Policy.