

## **TB TEST Reminder**

### **Attention All WLC Education Majors**

During their college career at Wisconsin Lutheran College, EDU students are required to participate in several field experience clinicals tied to a particular education course. The clinicals require them to be in classrooms working with children. The State of Wisconsin and local school districts require that clinical students have a TB (tuberculosis) test prior to working in any classroom. To assist our students in meeting this requirement, the WLC Health Services offers the TB test twice a year, once in early September and again in December. This service is **FREE** to all students and is covered through the student insurance package that WLC provides for its students. All education majors and students scheduled to take EDU 221 in the coming semester are encouraged to make use of this service.

There is, however, no need to be tested every semester nor is it necessarily healthy to do so! The following scenarios can assist in helping to tell whether or not a TB test is needed.

1. Students scheduled in EDU 292 (clinical attached to EDU 221) in the fall semester, **DO** need to have a TB test.
2. Students who have had a TB test for a clinical in the most recently past spring semester and are scheduled for another clinical in the next fall semester, **DO NOT** need a TB test.
3. Students who last had a TB test for clinical work in the fall semester, **DO** need a TB test for the next fall semester.

**Watch the WLC email for announcements from the School of Education or Health Services regarding the next scheduled date for the TB test as provided by the WLC Health Services.**

**These tests are held in late August or early September and again in mid-December or early January.**

**The test MUST be read two days later to be valid.**

Please watch email for these dates! If a student knows he/she is in need of the test, please contact the School of Education Office (G210) at 414-443-8818, and we in turn will contact health services. Students in doubt about whether they need a test should also contact the EDU office for a clarification.

Remember...this service is **FREE**. Being tested in September allows students to participate in clinicals and student teaching in fall and spring semesters. Being tested in December allows students to do clinicals and student teaching in both the spring and fall semester of the following school term.

If, however, students choose to have the test administered off campus, they must provide the necessary documentation stating the date and results of the test. In addition, the documentation must be signed by a medical professional. Documentation must be completed and turned in to the Teacher Education Office (G210) before any clinical or student teaching placement can take place.

Again, please be alert for the dates for the upcoming TB tests. To get questions answered, please contact the School of Education Office - G210) with your questions. The office phone number is campus extension 8818.