

# From the Superintendent's Desk

Weekly Update From Supt. Jerry Almendarez

#### November 29, 2021



Dear SAUSD community,

I hope everyone had the opportunity to enjoy the Thanksgiving break with friends and family. I want to let the community know that SAUSD is continuing to monitor all the latest developments with COVID-19, including reports of the <u>Omicron variant</u>.

It's still too early to know what impact, if any, this will have on our community. But I assure you that our District is working closely with local and state health care agencies to ensure we receive the latest information and are prepared to plan accordingly.

In the meantime, effective today, SAUSD will adjust the requirements for quarantining students who may have been exposed to COVID-19 and those who have tested positive to COVID-19, or become ill. The District will reduce to 10 days from 14 days the quarantine requirements, or eliminate the need for quarantining altogether for students who are fully vaccinated and show no symptoms. More information on these changes is available here.



#### **Latest News**

#### **BY-TRUSTEE AREA BOARD ELECTIONS PUBLIC HEARINGS** Monday, December 6, 2021 Segerstrom High School 2301 W. MacArthur Blvd Santa Ana, CA 92704 Visit www.sausd.us for more information. 6-8:00 P.M. Monday, October 18, 2021 Monday, October 25, 2021 Santa Ana High School **Godinez Fundamental High School** (Bill Medley Auditorium) (library) 3002 Centennial Rd. 520 W. Walnut St. Santa Ana, CA 92701 Santa Ana, CA 92704 Monday, November 8, 2021 Monday, December 6, 2021 **Century High School** Segerstrom High School

(TBD)

2301 W. MacArthur Blvd

Santa Ana, CA 92704

(gymnasium)

1401 S. Grand Ave.

Santa Ana, CA 92705

## Public hearing on proposed changes to School Board elections

Please join us next Monday, December 6, at 6 p.m. at Segerstrom High School for the final public hearing on a plan to study the process of establishing Trustee Areas and elections By-Trustee Areas that would take effect commencing with the November 2022 election.

By-Trustee Area voting is a method of electing members to the school board in which candidates must reside within a trustee area and the candidates are elected only by the voters residing in that trustee area. SAUSD currently elects its Board of Education members through an at-large election system. Under this system, candidates for the Board of Education can reside anywhere within SAUSD's boundaries.

Where to draw the trustee area boundaries should reflect the needs and interests of the community. Public input will assist the Board of Education in determining which proposed map best suits the needs of the school district.

## **COVID-19 Data**

#### Here are the latest COVID-19 positivity rates and trends for zip codes in Santa Ana Source: O.C. Health Care Agency (prepared Nov. 24, 2021)

ZIP code	Population	Case Rate per 100,000 (7-day day average, excluding LTCFs & Inmates)	Testing Positivity Percent (7 day avg. + 7 day lag)
92701	55,137	3.6	2.1%
92703	68,242	4.4	1.4%
92704	89,021	5.3	3.9%
92705	47,039	6.4	2.9%
92706	37,260	5.8	2.8%
92707	62,175	3.4	3.0%
Orange County Averages		6.9	2.7%

#### Visit <u>www.sausd.us/covid-resources</u> for free resources and testing information.

#### Custodial Services Is Now Hiring!



Part Time 8-hour positions, Various Sites Please apply on edjoin.com and click on the QR code below

Please contact Lisset Soria, Custodial Secretary for any questions

### **Upcoming Board Meeting**

#### Dec. 6

- Public session begins at 6 p.m.
- To livestream visit <u>www.sausd.live</u>
- <u>Agenda will be available here</u>

#### VIDEO: Building the Future

SAUSD has been busy upgrading, renovating and adding improvements to schools across the district that provide state-of-the-art learning and nurturing environments for students. See a video below or at <u>https://bit.ly/3xNJqJr</u>:

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