



From the Superintendent's Desk

Weekly Update From Supt. Jerry Almendarez

Nov. 23, 2020



Dear SAUSD Community,

I hope our students, families and staff will take some well-deserved time off this week as part of the Thanksgiving holiday. This has been a unique and challenging year for our school community, and I wanted to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your work and dedication to help all of our students succeed.

I also wanted to remind everyone that our COVID-19 rates continue alarmingly high across the state and throughout our Santa Ana community. So I encourage all of our families and staff to take extra precautions this week as you celebrate the holiday.

State and federal health care experts recommend avoiding all non-essential travel this week, and I would encourage our SAUSD community to follow this guidance. It's important that we all stay safe and in good health so our students can return to schools as soon as possible.



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WE GIVE THANKS DRIVE-THRU DISTRIBUTION

WHO:

WE GIVE THANKS, INC. TEAMS UP WITH SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK OF ORANGE COUNTY, COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP OF OC FOOD BANK, WASTE NOT OC, WELLS FARGO, THE HONDA CENTER, AND ANAHEIM DUCKS FOR ITS 34TH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY EVENT. EACH CAR WILL RECEIVE A PRE-PREPARED, HEAT-AND-SERVE HOLIDAY MEAL FOR FOUR AND ONE BOX OF SUPPLEMENTAL SHELF-STABLE FOOD.

WHERE:

HONDA CENTER PARKING LOT
2695 E. KATELLA AVENUE
ANAHEIM, CA 92806

DRIVE-THRU ONLY. ENTER OFF DOUGLASS RD. AND FOLLOW SIGNS TO THE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

WHEN:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26 FROM 9 AM - NOON

Thanksgiving donations for SAUSD families

Several community organizations and local businesses are stepping up this week to provide free Thanksgiving meals for families across the region. In Santa Ana, Los Angeles Chargers Defensive End Isaac Rochell and his company Local Human (www.localhuman.co) will distribute about 450 meals Tuesday to preselected families.

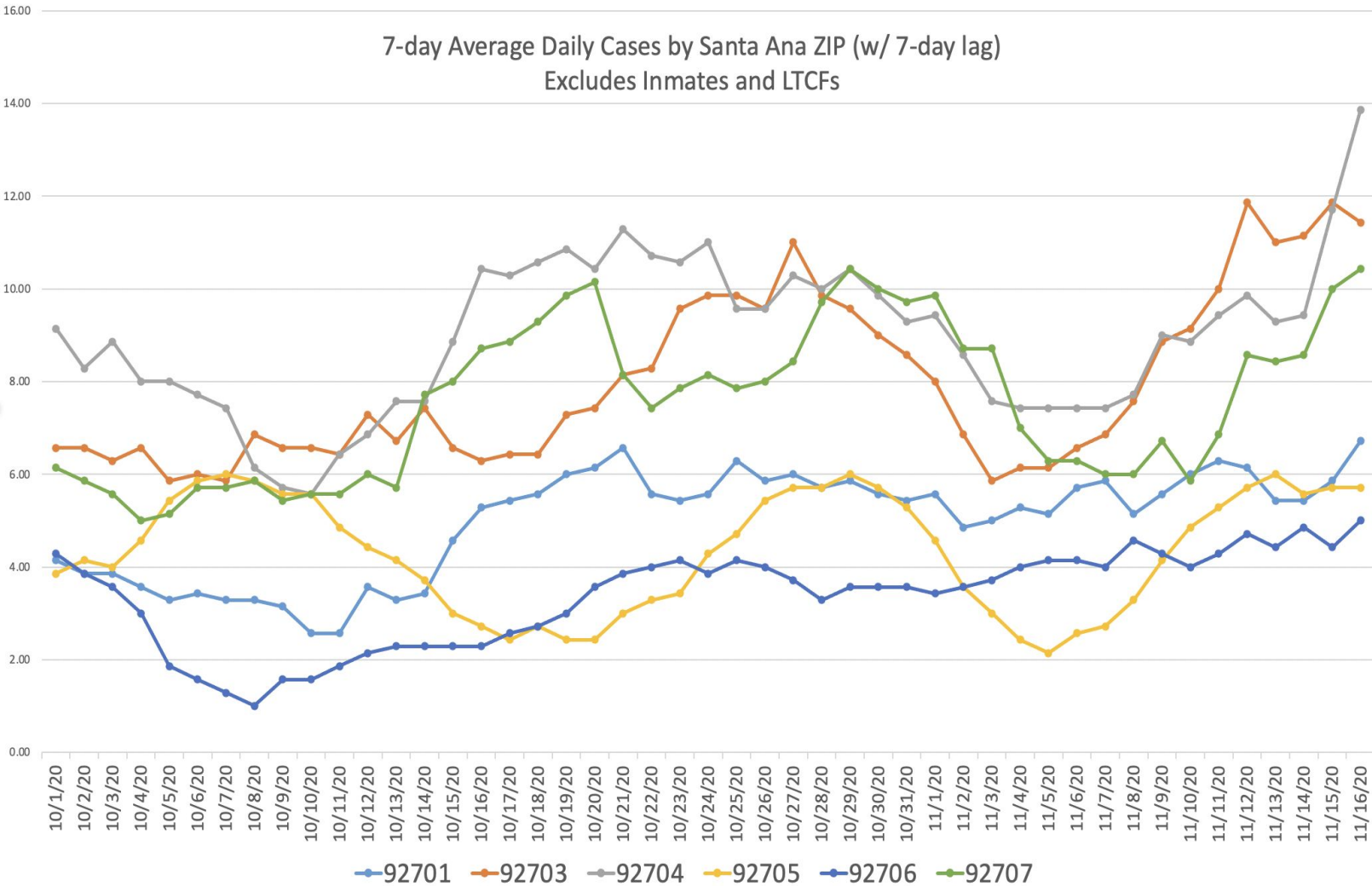
The Second Harvest Food Bank will again distribute meals from 9 a.m. to noon on Thursday at the Honda Center. No registration is needed for the Second Harvest Food Bank event.

Local businesses including Avila's El Ranchito and La Casa Garcia restaurants are also offering meals for our families this holiday. These businesses and organizations are providing a vital resource during this time of need. I want to thank them and encourage everyone who is able to support or donate to these groups.

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. 17, 2020)



Visit www.sausd.us/coronavirus for free resources and testing information regarding COVID-19.

Upcoming Board Meeting

Tuesday, Dec. 15

- Public session begins at 6 p.m.
- To livestream visit sausd.tv
- [Agenda will be available here](#)

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