

# From the Superintendent's Desk

Weekly Update From Supt. Jerry Almendarez

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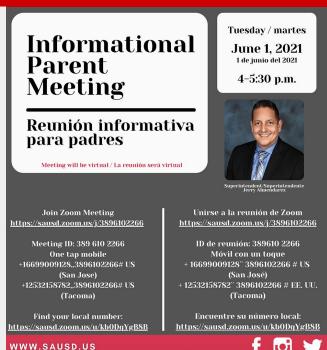


### Dear SAUSD community,

Our Board of Education has approved the <u>academic calendar</u> for the 2021-22 school year. Full-time, in-person instruction will begin at all schools starting Aug. 16.

Communicating with our families our efforts to reopen our schools safely is one of the District's top priorities. As part of this process, I will be hosting a town hall meeting on Tuesday, June 1, to provide the latest information on the return to in-person instruction this August, and the return of in-person instruction for our summer programs that start June 8.

I encourage all families and community members to join me during this meeting from 4 to 5:30 p.m. My team and myself will work to answer any questions you may have. To participate via zoom, login on June 1 at <u>https://sausd.zoom.us/j/3896102266</u>.





### **Latest News**

### Vaccines for community and staff

New State guidelines now allow for any individual age 12 and older to receive a Covid-19 vaccination. The District continues to offer each weekly Pfizer vaccination clinics through a partnership with <u>Rite-Aid</u>. Registration information is available by contacting your student's school or by visiting <u>www.sausd.us/vaccines</u>.

The District has now provided close to 45,000 vaccines for employees and SAUSD community members through all local partnerships. We are working to secure more vaccination opportunities to ensure all our community members have equitable access.

In the meantime, staff and community members can also secure vaccination appointments as they become available through the <u>Othena app</u>, and through clinics such as those offered through <u>Walmart</u>, <u>Walgreens</u>, <u>CVS</u>, <u>Albertsons</u>, or through their own healthcare provider. More resources on Covid-19 clinics <u>are available here</u>.

## **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 May 18, 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	55,534	0.5	0.6%
92703	69,190	1.7	0.8%
92704	90,205	0.8	1.2%
92705	46,883	1.8	1.1%
92706	37,406	1.5	0.8%
92707	62,894	0.7	1%
Orange County Averages		1.5	0.9%

Visit <u>www.sausd.us/vaccines</u> for free resources and testing information regarding Covid-19.



## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

### **Upcoming Board Meeting**

### June 8

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

#### SAUSD celebrates the Top 100 graduates

Last week, we celebrated our 62nd annual SAUSD Top 100 Graduates through a video highlighting each student, along with recognitions from principals and others. See the video at www.youtube.com/watch?v=TxQWhrwqz64.

These Top 100 graduates serve as an example of the perseverance all of our students have shown over the last year of this pandemic.

I want to congratulate our Top 100 graduates just as I want to congratulate all our graduates from the Class of 2021. Now go out and make us proud.

### **Stay Connected**

