



# From the Superintendent's Desk

Weekly Update From Supt. Jerry Almendarez

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Dear SAUSD Community,

I hope all of you had an opportunity to take some well-deserved time off last week during the Thanksgiving holiday. This week, we continue to scale up our Learning Labs across the District so more of our students can have access to a safe and supportive classroom environment while they continue to connect to their teachers and fellow students virtually.

I want to also offer a sincere thanks to our community partners, local businesses, and others who stepped up last week to provide thousands of free Thanksgiving meals to our families. These include LA Charger Isaac Rochell and his Local Human Foundation, Avila's El Ranchito Restaurant, Second Harvest Food Bank, Someone Cares Soup Kitchen, and many more.

Finally, I want to remind everyone that Orange County remains in the [purple tier](#) of California's color-coded tracking system in response to a spike in new coronavirus infections. We must remain vigilant as we are entering the flu season, and holiday travel has begun increasing.



## Latest News

### Learning Labs

We now have Learning Labs in 31 schools, with a combined 1,302 students. Each of these schools has 42 students per site in cohorts of 14 or fewer students. (It's important to note that the District can continue opening these Labs even under the state's purple tier because they involve very small groups of students per campus, and strict health and safety guidelines are being met.)

### Current Learning Lab sites

#### Elementary

- Adams
- Advanced Learning Acad.
- Davis
- Diamond
- Edison
- Esqueda
- Fremont
- Garfield
- Heninger
- Harvey
- Heroes

(cont.)

- Jackson
- Kennedy
- King
- Lincoln
- Martin
- Madison
- Monte Vista
- Muir
- Pio Pico
- Romero-Cruz
- Roosevelt
- Taft

#### Intermediate

- Carr
- Lathrop
- McFadden
- McArthur
- Willard

#### High School

- Century
- Valley
- Santa Ana



Click [here for more information](#) and answers to some common questions about Learning Labs.

# COVID-19 Data

Visit [www.sausd.us/coronavirus](http://www.sausd.us/coronavirus) for free resources and testing information regarding COVID-19.

## Here are the latest COVID-19 positivity rates for Santa Ana by zip code

Source: O.C. Health Care Agency (prepared Nov. 24, 2020)

ZIP	Population	Case Count 7-day + 4 day lag (Excludes Inmates)	Case Rate (7-day average, Excludes Inmates)	Adjusted Count 7-day + 4 day lag (Excludes LTCFs and Inmates)	Case Rate per 100,000 (7-day day average, excluding LTCFs & Inmates)	Testing Positivity Percent (7 day avg. + 4 day lag)
92701	55,534	134	34.47	134	34.47	13.4%
92703	69,190	219	45.22	219	45.22	14.8%
92704	90,205	246	38.96	246	38.96	17.3%
92705	46,883	67	20.42	58	17.67	7.8%
92706	37,406	71	27.12	71	27.12	9.3%
92707	62,894	177	40.20	177	40.20	13.7%
92708	57,779	79	19.53	79	19.53	8.4%
Santa Ana average						12.1%

**Stay Up To Date  
on COVID-19**



**Wash Your  
Hands**



**Wear a  
Mask**



**Keep Your  
Distance**



**Stay Home if  
You're Sick**



**Upcoming Board Meeting**

**Stay Connected**

**Tuesday, Dec. 15**

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



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