



# From the Superintendent's Desk

Weekly Update From Supt. Jerry Almendarez

September 13, 2021



Dear SAUSD community,

The District has started the weekly testing of students and staff for COVID-19. Last week, we had two pilot testing events at the District office and at Madison Elementary School. More than 600 students and staff members were tested during these two events.

I want to reassure our community that the cheek swab version of the test, which just takes a few seconds and is the least invasive, is the one we are using for students and staff. The main goal of testing is to help keep our schools as healthy and safe places for learning. But we also want testing to cause as little disruption as possible on our campuses.

As part of this testing effort, parents and guardians must provide consent for their children to participate. The District is asking that parents and guardians complete by Friday, September 17, the online version of the consent form at <https://accuratelabtesting.com/> or a hard copy version that is available in schools.



## Latest News

### AVAILABLE EVERY WEEK AT LATINO HEALTH ACCESS



#### FREE COVID-19 testing

Available to anyone, with or without symptoms.

Schedule your free test today!

#### FREE COVID-19 Vaccines

Available to anyone 12 years older

#### When:

Every Monday-

Starting 8.9.21

2:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

#### Where:

Latino Health Access

450 W 4th St,

Santa Ana, CA 92701

Vaccine: Pfizer and J&J



#### When:

Every Tuesday

9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

#### Where:

Latino Health Access

450 W 4th St,

Santa Ana, CA 92701



Visit [oc.fulgentgenetics.com](https://oc.fulgentgenetics.com) to register or open the camera on your phone to scan this code and be redirected to the registration website.

### Vaccines for community and staff

State guidelines now allow for any individual age 12 and older to receive a Covid-19 vaccination. The District continues to offer up-to-date information on upcoming community clinics through SAUSD partnerships. Information is available by contacting your student's school or by visiting [www.sausd.us/vaccines](http://www.sausd.us/vaccines).

The District has now provided about 50,000 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 [Othena app](#), and through clinics such as those offered through [Walmart](#), [Walgreens](#), [CVS](#), [Albertsons](#), or through their own healthcare provider. More resources on Covid-19 clinics [are available here](#).

**NOTICE: MASKS ARE REQUIRED. WALK-Ins welcome**  
For appointments contact our call center (714) 805-7838.

# 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 Sept. 13, 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	9.3	4.4%
92703	68,242	14.4	4.0%
92704	89,021	11.6	5.0%
92705	47,039	14.6	4.7%
92706	37,260	8.5	2.8%
92707	62,175	14.0	6.2%
Orange County Averages		16	5.4%

Visit [www.sausd.us/covid-resources](http://www.sausd.us/covid-resources) for free resources and testing information.

**Santa Ana Unified School District**

**Virtual College Night**  
October 6, 2021

College Knowledge Webinars  
4:00-4:45pm & 5:00-5:45pm

Virtual College Fair  
6:00-8:00pm

More information and event link will be shared via ParentSquare.

**WE'RE HIRING!**

**APPLY NOW!**  
[www.edjoin.org/sausd](http://www.edjoin.org/sausd)

Upcoming Board Meeting

Stay Connected

**Sept. 14**

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



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