

# From the Superintendent's Desk

Weekly Update From Supt. Jerry Almendarez

#### September 27, 2021



Dear SAUSD community,

The District continues to roll out COVID-19 testing for students and staff. To date, we have tested more than 16,000 individuals. The District's goal is to have weekly testing in place at every school and other District sites in the next couple of weeks.

As part of this effort, we continue to encourage families and staff to please complete the COVID-19 <u>Testing Consent Form</u> if you have not done so already. Written consent forms are also available at District offices and at each school, and can be returned to a child's school, or to an employee's supervisor. (Note: Social Security and ITIN numbers are no longer required to process consent forms).

Our COVID-19 positivity rates continue to decrease each week. But this is not the time to let our guard down. Testing for COVID-19 using the cheek swab method, the primary version for all students and staff, is safe, fast and causes little to no discomfort.



## Latest News



AVAILABLE EVERY WEEK AT LATINO HEALTH ACCESS FREE COVID-19 testing

FREE COVID-19 <u>Vaccines</u> 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



Available to anyone, with or without symptoms. Schedule your free test today!

> **When:** <u>Every Tuesday</u> 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Where: Latino Health Access 450 W 4th St, Santa Ana, CA 92701



Visit oc.fulgentgenetics.com to register or open the camera on your phone to scan this code and be redirected to the registration website.

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

#### 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 <u>www.sausd.us/vaccines</u>.

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.

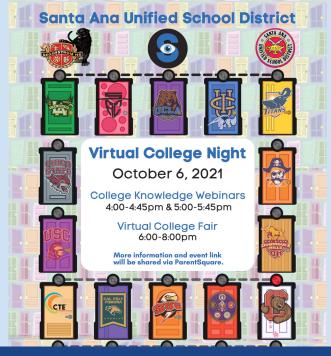
In the meantime, staff and community members can also secure vaccination appointments as they become available through the <u>Othena app</u>, and through clinics such as those offered through <u>Walmart</u>, <u>Walgreens</u>, <u>CVS</u>, <u>Albertsons</u>, or through their own healthcare provider. More resources on Covid-19 clinics <u>are</u> <u>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 Sept. 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	11.4	5.0%
92703	68,242	8.8	4.3%
92704	89,021	14.3	6.0%
92705	47,039	11.2	5.3%
92706	37,260	11.1	4.0%
92707	62,175	10.1	4.6%
Orange County Averages		11.3	3.7%

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



#### Follow your school on social media

SAUSD schools regularly share what's happening on campuses through their social media channels. Find a directory of SAUSD social media school accounts here.



## **Upcoming Board Meeting**

#### Sept. 28

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



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