



COVID-19 Update

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SCUSD CORE VALUES

We recognize that our system is inequitable by design and we vigilantly work to confront and interrupt inequities that exist to level the playing field and provide opportunities for everyone to learn, grow and reach their greatness.

SCUSD GUIDING PRINCIPLE

All students are given an equal opportunity to graduate with the greatest number of postsecondary choices from the widest array of options

Glossary of Terms

Cal/OSHA - California Occupational Safety and Health Act

CDC - Centers for Disease Control

CDPH - California Department of Public Health

COVID-19 - Novel Coronavirus disease identified in 2019

EUAs - Emergency Use Authorization

IND - Investigational New Drug

OTC - Over the Counter

PHE - Public Health Emergency

SCPH - Sacramento County Public Health

SMARTER Plan - Shots, Masks, Awareness, Readiness, Testing, Education, Rx

CDC Community Levels Data

Total COVID Case Increase

January 5, 2023 - March 9, 2023

Daily Cases - 7-Day Moving Average



Sacramento County, California

[State Health Department](#)

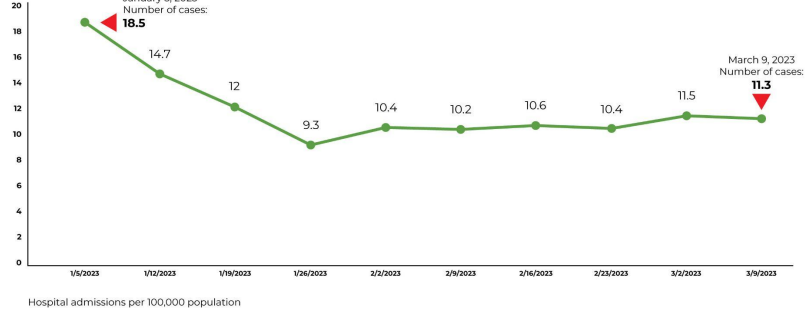
COVID-19 Community Level

Medium

Hospital Admissions Rate (Per 100,000)

January 5, 2023 - March 9, 2023

Daily Admissions - 7-Day Moving Average



End of Federal COVID Emergency

- Federal Public Health Emergency (PHE) for COVID-19 ends on on May 11, 2023
 - Use of emergency use authorizations (EUAs) for COVID-19 products (tests, vaccines, and treatments) and telehealth flexibilities continue for Medicare or Medicaid
 - Committed to maximizing continued access to COVID-19 vaccines and treatments
- End of continuous Medicaid enrollment - millions of Medi-Cal beneficiaries could lose their coverage if they do not re-enroll
 - CA Dept of Health Care Services has launched a “Keep Your Care” campaign and SCUSD will be sending messaging to families

End of CA COVID Emergency & Updates

- California state of emergency ended on February 28, 2023
 - The state's [SMARTER Plan](#) will maintain operational preparedness to address the next phase of the COVID-19 pandemic
- CDPH Updates:
 - Beginning March 13, a COVID-19 positive person may end isolation after five days if they feel well, have improving symptoms, and are fever-free for 24 hours (no negative test required)
 - On April 3 indoor face masking requirement ends for health care & other high risk settings
 - Winding down underutilized supports - reduced testing or vaccine centers/pop-up events and contact tracing
 - PCR testing discontinued in schools effective 2/28/23 -

End of Sac County COVID Emergency

- Sacramento County state of emergency ended on February 28, 2023
 - County Covid Dashboard discontinued - data to be found on the CDPH Covid Dashboard
 - Closing underutilized testing centers
- The following are not tied to emergency declarations:
 - Health Officer Orders, including CDPH Orders governing masking
 - Cal/OSHA COVID-19 Non-Emergency Regulations
 - Emergency Use Authorizations (EUAs) for vaccinations
 - Investigational New Drug applications (INDs)
- On 3/10/23 issued updated isolation guidance and stay home sick
 - Shortened stay home sick guidance to 5 days if no COVID test

Vaccine & Testing Update

Vaccine or testing for students and staff aligned with current CDPH public health guidance and available resources

- No vaccine requirement for staff or students through CDPH
 - Covid-19 Vaccine Clinics continue through May 2023. Starting in August 2023 we will host clinics as needed and/or in partnership with local health providers (SCPH)
- Testing aligned with CDPH recommendations
 - Testing advised for symptomatic or exposure testing
 - Over-the Counter tests provided to schools/departments
 - Serna Testing Center will remain open for students, staff and household members

CAI/OSHA COVID Non-Emergency Standards

- Cal OSHA adopted COVID-19 Prevention Non-Emergency Standards effective through February 3, 2025:
 - FREE COVID-19 testing available during work time to all employees following a close contact
 - Exclude COVID-19 cases from the workplace until they are no longer an infection risk
 - Implement policies to prevent transmission after close contact
 - Notify employees if they are a close contact of a case
 - Make face masks and PPE available to all employees
 - Provide effective COVID-19 hazard prevention training to employees

Face Masking Update

- As of April 3, CDPH is no longer requiring indoor face masking in health care or other higher risk settings
- In alignment with this revised CDPH public health policy - indoor face masking will be recommended for all CDC Community Levels: Low, Medium & High
- Changes in federal, state or county public health order may supercede this local policy

COVID-19 Mitigation Updates



STAY HOME SICK:

- Individuals who have Covid symptoms must remain home following CDPH/SCPH guidance for returning
 - Symptoms improved
 - No fever for 24 hrs
 - Negative Covid test or at least 5 days has passed
- Transition back to front office management of sick students or staff



TESTING:

- Testing advised for symptomatic or exposure testing - report positive test immediately
- Over-the Counter tests provided to schools/departments for testing needs
- Serna Testing Center to remain open for - phase out Meadowview & Einstein MS
- Health Aide & Care Room protocols phased out by end of 22-23 School Year



CONTACT TRACING:

- Continue contact tracing to notify staff, students and families of exposures so they may take individualized protective measures
- Isolation notices sent to Covid positive individuals
- Exposure notices sent to staff & students who are close contacts

COVID-19 Mitigation Updates



VACCINATION:

- Continue August - May School Required Vaccine Clinics for students - including providing other recommended vaccines (i.e. Covid)
- Continue SCUSD Covid Vaccine Clinic as needed and/or in partnership with local health agencies



FACE MASKING:

- Face masks will be recommended during low, medium and high CDC Community Levels
- Continue providing face masks in all school and district areas for those choosing to face mask



VENTILATION:

- Maintain focus on proper ventilation & use of portable HEPA filters where indicated - helps with air quality issues and routine & regular seasonal viruses
- Maintain replacing filters per industry recommendations



METRICS:

- SCUSD Covid Case Dashboard updated weekly
- Local metrics & exposure notices provide individuals information to assess personal risk and personal actions for protecting their health
- CDPH maintains countywide Covid data

COVID-19 Website Updates

- COVID-19 website pages condensed into a single page
 - Easily navigate through to find response plans and available resources - such as testing, vaccine and treatment
 - COVID-19 Dashboard
- COVID-19 Health & Safety Plan
 - Return to Health plan revised
 - Includes main mitigation strategies outlined in the slides above
 - Downloadable flyers to easily share information with students, families/caregivers and staff - “Stay Home Sick and Return Guidance”

COVID-19 Response At a Glance

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VACCINE CLINICS HOSTED
THROUGHOUT SCUSD

30,009

VACCINATIONS PROVIDED

729,372

TESTS PROVIDED

540,000+

FREE AT-HOME TEST KITS
DISTRIBUTED

28,000+

POSITIVE CASES OR CLOSE
CONTACT QUARANTINES
CONTACT TRACED

260+

ADDITIONAL STAFF MANAGED

Supporting Our Covid Response -
Health Aides, Surveillance Testers,
Contact Tracers And Data Support

Next Steps

- Continue monitoring conditions and adjusting measures as needed
- Review and incorporate any revised CDC, CDPH or SCPH guidance or orders
- Continue implementing Covid response through at least February 2025
- Provide ongoing training for new and existing staff on Covid safety measures



Q & A