



Superintendent

Christopher Downing, Ed.D.

Board of Education

Mark A. Lopez

Jackie Filbeck

Juan Gabriel Álvarez

Jose Paolo Magcalas, Ph.D.

Ryan A. Ruelas

August 11, 2021

Dear AESD Families,

Welcome Back! We are looking forward to welcoming your children back to our campuses as we return to full-day in-person instruction. As a reminder, our school year begins on Thursday, August 12, 2021. School principals will continue to communicate information specific to your child's school for the new school year. The following update is provided to keep you informed regarding the Anaheim Elementary School District:

Our district continues to prioritize the health and safety of stakeholders as our top priority. Although California no longer reports data within the tiered colored system, as identified on the Orange County Health Care Agency website the COVID-19 case rates have risen for Orange County. The City of Anaheim reported 565 new cases reported across Anaheim's seven ZIP codes for the seven days through Aug. 10, up from 494 the week prior. It is important that we all remain vigilant in our safety protocols, continue to wear masks indoors when in close proximity to others, frequently wash our hands; and seek testing when displaying any symptoms of COVID.

As part of the Grab n Go's at each school, [a Guide for Families](#); digital thermometer; hand sanitizer; disposable masks; and cloth masks have been provided for every student. Additionally, AESD will continue to offer COVID-19 testing for all stakeholders as follows:

- COVID-19 testing will be available on Thursday, August 12 from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and Friday, August 13 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Key Elementary School (2000 W. Ball) for all students and staff. This is a rapid nasal swab test with results in 15-20 minutes. To make an appointment at the Key Site, click [here](#).
- For the week of August 16, COVID-19 testing will be available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday from 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. at Key Elementary School (2000 W. Ball) for all students and staff. This is a rapid nasal swab test with results in 15-20 minutes. To make an appointment at the Key Site, click [here](#).

1001 S. East Street
Anaheim, CA 92805-5749
Phone: 714-517-7500
Fax: 714-517-8538
www.aesd.org

- Additional no-cost COVID-19 testing options are available throughout Anaheim. To find a location, make an appointment, and/or order an at-home testing kit visit <https://www.anaheim.net/5652/Testing>.

On behalf of our Board of Education and all staff members, we look forward to a school year that will be “more amazing than ever.”

Sincerely,
Dr. Christopher Downing
Superintendent