

## Superintendent Christopher Downing, Ed.D.

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Dear AESD Families,

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, the City of Anaheim updates their data weekly. There were 455 new cases reported across Anaheim's seven ZIP codes for the seven days through Aug. 31, down from 623 the week prior.

If your child is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, please keep him/her home and contact your child's health care provider. Please contact your school to report the absence; a COVID-19 related absence is excused. If someone in your household tested positive for COVID-19 and is currently under quarantine or self-isolation, your child should follow the guidelines from the Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA) on how long to remain at home and when to return to school.

As our state continues to support efforts to reduce the spread of COVID-19, please see the <u>linked letter</u> from State Superintendent Thurmond regarding COVID-19 vaccinations.

Daily Access to Free Rapid COVID-19 Testing for Students and Staff AESD will continue to offer free COVID-19 testing Monday thru Friday 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. Appointments are required, please click here to make one.

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 <u>https://www.anaheim.net/5652/Testing</u>.

## COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

We will be hosting a COVID-19 vaccine Clinic at the Family Oasis Resource Center, 131 W. Midway Drive, Anaheim, CA 92805 on Thursday, September 9 from 2:00-6:00 for everyone 12 years and older. Both Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson vaccines will be available. Details can be found on this flier: <u>Family Oasis Vaccine Clinic</u>. An appointment is not required, however, appointments can be made <u>here</u>.

## Safe Firearms Storage

Please click <u>here</u> for an important message about the safe storage of firearms.

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## No School on Monday, September 6, 2021

Please be reminded that our schools will be closed on Monday, September 6, 2021, in honor of Labor Day. Full-day in-person instruction will resume on Tuesday, September 7th.

We wish you all a wonderful holiday weekend! On behalf of our AESD staff and Board members, thank you for your ongoing support of the Anaheim Elementary School District.

Sincerely, Dr. Christopher Downing Superintendent