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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 429 new cases reported across Anaheim's seven ZIP codes for the seven days through September 7, down from 455 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.

#### **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.

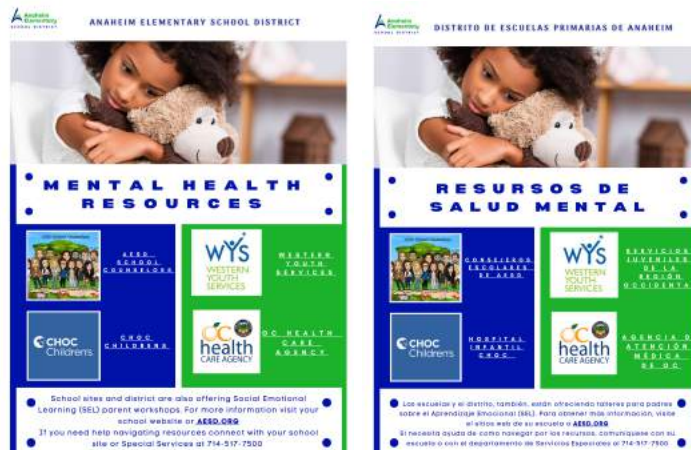
**Appointments are required, please click [here](#) to make one.**

#### **Mental Health Resources for Families**

The District provides a vast array of mental health support to students throughout the day. Each school site has a Behavior Support Team on site that includes a School Psychologist, Counselor, Behavioral Health Aide, Administrator and Nurse.

In addition, the District and our community partners offer mental health support to families as needed. Please see resources available on our [Mental Health Resources website](#).

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### **Upcoming Parent Education and Engagement Opportunities**

- **September 21, 2021, 9 - 11 am DAC/DELAC School Safety Plan, Stakeholder Input on COVID Funds, District Goals, Reclassification and Program for Emergent Bilinguals** Join via Google Meet: [Link](#)
- **September 22, 2021, 9 - 10 am How to Prepare for Conferences** Join via Google Meet: [Link](#)
- **September 28, 2021, 9 - 11 am AECTPA Association Meeting** Stakeholder Input on COVID Funds Join via Google Meet: [Link](#)
- **September 30, 2021, 9 - 10 am Parent Workshop - LCAP Goal 3 Inclusive Education** Join via Google Meet: [Link](#)

On behalf of our AESD Board of Education and staff members, thank you for your ongoing support of the Anaheim Elementary School District.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Christopher Downing  
Superintendent