

NEWS ALERTS AND UPDATES – July 6, 2020

NATIONAL:

- **Total cases 2,886,267 (+207,037)***
- **Total deaths: 129,811 (+1,787)***

*Data change from 7.2.20

*41 jurisdictions report more than 10,000 cases of COVID-19

STATE:

- **Positive cases: 271,684 (+31,489)**
- **Deaths: 6,337 (+174)**

*Data change from 7.2.20

***4,793,353 tests have been conducted.**

California COVID-19, By The Numbers:

California reported 5,699 new COVID-19 cases today. The state's overall case total went up due to a backlog of cases from Los Angeles County.

- New Positive cases today: 5,699
- Positive cases: 271,684 (includes additional LA County cases from 7/3 and 7/4)
- Confirmed hospitalizations: 5,790
- Confirmed ICU hospitalizations: 1,706
- Deaths: 6,337

As of July 5, there have been 4,793,353 tests conducted in California and reported to the California Department of Public Health. This represents an increase of 113,215 tests over the prior 24-hour reporting period.

Wear a mask!

When you're around anyone you don't live with, you must have a mask covering your nose and mouth. Read more about [masks and face coverings](#), and [spread the word that masks save lives](#).

GOVERNOR NEWSOM UPDATES

Governor Gavin Newsom provides an update on the state's response to COVID19. [Watch today's press conference.](#)

More counties on California's coronavirus watch list. Currently 23 counties on monitor list for 3+ days. [See County Data Monitoring](#)

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The first webinar in the Ethnic Studies Informational Webinar Series, focusing on African American Studies, is tomorrow 3 p.m.! Watch it on [Facebook Live](#).

Led by State Superintendent Tony Thurmond, it features:

- Assemblymember Shirley Weber, a Professor Emeritus and co-founder of Africana Studies at San Diego State University
- Assemblymember Jose Medina, who drafted legislation to make ethnic studies a high school graduation requirement
- Also includes students and members of CDE's newly formed Youth Advisory Council.

Register in advance for this webinar:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_pcq_YlloTlqTkE9bbPsUAA

The USDA recently announced the extension of current COVID-19 meal waivers for the 2020-2021 school year. The waivers give districts throughout the state flexibility on how school meals are distributed to students. These waivers include times when meals are served, providing grab and go meals and allowing parents or guardians to pick up meals for students. [Read more here.](#)

SSPI Hearing to Explore Public Private Partnerships to Fund Student Support Services (Friday, July 10, 2020, 10 a.m. to noon)

State Superintendent Thurmond is bringing together legislators, foundations, and public agencies to explore how public private partnerships can assist in the expansion of education funding for student support services. The focus of this hearing is to discuss ways to support more restorative justice, social emotional learning, and de-escalation programs by maximizing and braiding existing state, federal, and foundation dollars.

The event will be streamed on Facebook Live on the CDE Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/CAEducation>.

LOCAL:

July 6: Five New Cases Today

Humboldt County's confirmed COVID-19 case count rose to 149 after five additional cases were reported today.

Of the residents who have tested positive recently, most contracted the virus through travel to attend gatherings or participation in local gatherings. Travel by friends and family into and out of our county and subsequent gatherings with individuals outside the household unit are high risk for the individuals involved and the community at large.

Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich said, "Based on our current case investigations, we expect to see an increase in cases over the next few days as contacts of these individuals are tested."

Dr. Frankovich reiterated that any time more than one household gets together, there's an increased risk of exposure. "Once again, we can keep each other safe by staying within our household groups," she said.

The following information is based on the most recent data available for all confirmed cases:

[Humboldt County Dashboard for today](#)

Daily COVID-19 case report for July 6*

*Data change from 7.2.20

- Total number of positive cases: 149 (+11)
- Total number of recovered cases: 132 (+9)
- Total number of hospitalizations: 16 (no chg)
- Total number of deaths: 4 (no chg)

Total tests conducted: 11,732

Public Health Laboratory testing Information

- Supply capacity: Approximately 1,850 tests
- Testing capacity: 70 samples per day
 - 24-72 hours
- Positivity Rate: 3.1%

VIDEOS FROM HUMBOLDT JOINT INFORMATION CENTER

July 6, 2020 | The COVID Minute - [Humboldt County COVID-19 Dashboard](#)

Humboldt County Deputy Health Officer Dr. Josh Ennis discusses the newly launched Humboldt County COVID-19 dashboard now available at <https://www.humboldt.gov>

July 6, 2020 | Media Availability - [Dr. Teresa Frankovich](#)

HUMBOLDT COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Given that school bus capacities may be limited due to social distancing requirements, SRTS anticipates that more students may be walking or biking to schools where in-person instruction is happening, HCOE is partnering with the Safe Routes to School Task (SRTS) Force to begin building a webpage of resources for when students return to school. [Check it out](#), and check back often as we add more resources.

Check out our [COVID webpages](#) for latest information.