

NEWS ALERTS AND UPDATES – July 7, 2020

NATIONAL:

- **Total cases 2,932,596 (+46,329)**
- **Total deaths: 130,133 (+322)**

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

STATE:

- **Positive cases: 277,774 (+6,090: 2.2%)**
- **Deaths: 6,448 (+111: 1.7%)**

***4,896,370 tests have been conducted.**

CDPH: The California Department of Public Health today announced the most recent statistics on COVID-19. California's [positivity rate](#) – a key indicator of community spread – is trending upward in the 14-day average. Hospitalization rates are also trending upward in the 14-day average.

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 Newsom Statement on Death of Los Angeles Police Department Detention Officer. [Read full statement.](#)

Governor Newsom Announces Appointments. [Full Release](#)

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Superintendent Tony Thurmond Announces Implementation Tool for Assessing Student Learning. [Full Release](#)

The Implementation Tool: [Guidance on Diagnostic and Formative Assessments for LEAs](#)

ICYMI: The first webinar in the Ethnic Studies Informational Webinar Series, focusing on African American Studies. [Watch here.](#)

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 7: Five New Cases Today

Humboldt County's confirmed COVID-19 case count rose to 154. Five new cases were reported today.

Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich said it's important for county residents to remember that there are cases in all parts of the county even if numbers may appear low in certain areas. She said it is crucial for people to remain vigilant and avoid gatherings.

"As Sheriff Honsal pointed out this morning during the Board of Supervisors meeting, although there are a small number of confirmed cases in Southern Humboldt, a number of people have contracted the virus there," Dr. Frankovich said. "The case numbers reflect the part of the county where patients reside, not where the virus was contracted. The virus is circulating in all parts of the county. I can't stress this enough."

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 7

- Total number of positive cases: 154 (+5)
- Total number of recovered cases: 133 (+1)
- Total number of hospitalizations: 16 (no chg)
- Total number of deaths: 4 (no chg)

Total tests conducted: 11,840

Public Health Laboratory testing Information

- Supply capacity: Approximately 2,000 tests
- Testing capacity: 70 samples per day
 - 24-72 hours
- Positivity Rate: 3.6%*
*over past week

VIDEOS FROM HUMBOLDT JOINT INFORMATION CENTER

July 7, 2020 | The COVID Minute- [Cannabis Industry](#)

In today's COVID Minute, Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich shares a message for individuals working in the local cannabis industry.

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.