

## NEWS ALERTS AND UPDATES – July 28, 2020

### NATIONAL:

- Total cases 4,280,135 (+54,448)
- Total deaths: 147,672 (+1,126)

### STATE:

- Positive cases: 466,550 (+6,000)
- Deaths: 8,518 (+73)

7,417,866 tests have been conducted in California.

Current 14-day Positivity Rate in California: 7.5% (no change)

[State COVID-19 Dashboard](#)

### CHHS Secretary Gives Coronavirus Update

California Health and Human Services Secretary Dr. Mark Ghaly gave an update Tuesday on Coronavirus in California, and also outlined some enhancements in reporting/data collection in the state, for all health data, not just COVID-19 data. [Watch the video.](#)

### CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#### CDE Unveils New Distance Learning FAQ for Educators

On Tuesday the California Department of Education unveiled a new web resource of Frequently Asked Questions related to Distance Learning pursuant to Ed Code 43500-43511. [View the FAQ.](#)

Later this week, CDE will also release the **Learning Continuity Plan Template, Instructions, and Guidance** in addition to an FAQ for LEAs. The template is intended to support the planning that districts are already doing as they prepare to begin another academic year and hold to the promises of the Local Control Funding Formula. *The Learning Continuity Plan replaces the LCAP for the 2020-21 school year.*

#### ICYMI: Thurmond Reminds Educators of Learning Loss Mitigation Funds

In Friday's Weekly CDE COVID update, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond took the time to remind educators that \$5.3 billion in Learning Loss Mitigation Funds are available to help districts affected by COVID-related school closures. Read the statement [here](#). Learn more about Learning Loss Mitigation Funds [here](#).

## Upcoming CDE Webinars

**Thursday, July 30 at 10 a.m.: Let's Clear the Air: Using Ventilation Practices to Promote Healthy IAQ in Schools.** [Register here.](#)

**Tuesday, August 4 at 2 p.m.: Learning Continuity and Attendance Plans Part II**

This is the second part of the CDE's Learning Continuity and Attendance Plans series.

Connection/registration information can be found [on the CDE "Tuesdays @ 2" Webinar Series page.](#)

## LOCAL:

### July 28, 2020 – Four New Cases Reported Today

Humboldt County's count of confirmed COVID-19 cases rose to 221 cases, after 4 additional cases were reported today. The county alert level remains at Level 3. While Humboldt County has fared better in terms of case counts than many other areas of the state according to Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich, recent trends are a cause for concern.

"It took 105 days for our county to reach 109 cases, but we doubled that number in just 45 days," Dr. Frankovich said. "We can reverse that trend and stay off of the state's County Monitoring List by using all those simple but effective safety measures we've been discussing."

View [the County Dashboard.](#)

### Daily COVID-19 case report

- Total number of positive cases: 221 (+4)
- Total number of recovered cases: 184 (no chg)
- Total number of hospitalizations: 17 (no chg)
- Total number of deaths: 4 (no chg)

Total tests conducted: 14,876

### Public Health Laboratory Testing Information

- Supply capacity: Approximately 2,650 tests
- Testing capacity: 75 samples per day
  - 24-72 hour turnaround
- Positivity Rate (7-day average): 3.50% (-0.30%)

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