

NEWS ALERTS AND UPDATES – August 3, 2020

NATIONAL:

- **Total cases 4,649,102 (+175,128 since Friday)**
- **Total deaths: 154,471 (+2,972 since Friday)**

STATE:

- **Positive cases: 514,901 (+21,313 since Friday)**
- **Deaths: 9,388 (+383 since Friday)**

***8,184,696 tests have been conducted.**

GOVERNOR NEWSOM UPDATES

- **Monday Press Conference: Newsom Gives Cautiously Optimistic Update**
In his Monday press conference, Governor Gavin Newsom shared that the state is seeing “early good” signs in its recent COVID trends – total cases are down 21% and hospitalizations are down 10% -- but cautioned Californians to stay vigilant. Watch the full press conference [here](#).
- **ICYMI: Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order in Response to COVID-19**
Governor Gavin Newsom today signed an executive order addressing statutory requirements impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Today’s order extends the deadline for county assessment appeals boards to issue a decision on pending tax assessment appeals filed on or before March 4. The text of the Governor’s executive order can be found [here](#) and a copy can be found [here](#).

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- **Special Virtual Meeting for LEAs: Closing the Digital Divide**
State Superintendent Tony Thurmond, CDE, and the Closing the Digital Divide Task Force will hold a special webinar on **Wednesday, August 5 at 11 a.m.** for school leaders to learn more about how they can acquire computing devices for students and plan for distance learning this fall. Watch this webinar live [on the CDE Facebook page](#).

- **Learning Continuity and Attendance Plans**

On Friday the CDE released the template and instructions for the new Learning Continuity Attendance Plan. This plan replaces the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) for the 2020-2021 school year. The template, instructions, and more information are available [here](#).

- **Related Webinars: Learning Continuity and Attendance Plans**

In support of this new requirement, CDE is holding a series of Webinars. The first was last week, but several more are planned in the next two weeks. View the schedule and registration information [here](#).

LOCAL:

August 3, 2020 – Three New Cases Reported Today

Humboldt County's total case count now stands at 236 after two additional cases of COVID-19 were reported over the weekend.

Dashboards have been updated to reflect the most recent information available. Some highlights include:

- Cases have increased by 7.27 percent since last Monday.
- The case doubling time is 46 days.
- The 20-29 age group represented the largest weekly increase in cases with 11 new infections reported.
- The cumulative rate of confirmed cases per 100,000 residents is 174, lower than the state rate of 1,275 and 1,419 cases per 100,000 residents nationally.
- The mean age of all local cases is 38.

[Humboldt County Dashboard](#)

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

Daily COVID-19 case report

- Total number of positive cases: 236 (+3)
- Total number of recovered cases: 189 (+5)
- Total number of hospitalizations: 17 (no chg)
- Total number of deaths: 4 (no chg)

Total tests conducted: 15,698

Overall Alert Level: 3

Follow local and state health orders and guidance.

- Level 1 New Normal - Cases are somewhat sporadic, and contact tracing can be used to control the virus. Take every day enhanced precautions.
- Level 2 Moderate Risk - Moderate number of cases with majority of cases from a known source. Increase efforts to limit personal exposure.
- Level 3 High Risk - Many cases with conditions for community spread, with many undetected cases likely. Limit everyday activities to increase safety.
- Level 4 Very High Risk - Widespread outbreak that is growing with many undetected cases. Take strong measures to limit all contact.

Public Health Laboratory testing Information

- Supply capacity: Approximately 2,500 tests
- Testing capacity: 85 samples per day
 - 24-72 hours
- Positivity Rate: 3.4% (-0.2%)

VIDEOS FROM HUMBOLDT JOINT INFORMATION CENTER

August 3, 2020 | [The COVID Minute – Dr. John Sullivan](#)

In today's COVID Minute, local physician Dr. John Sullivan talks about the importance of maintaining “regular” healthcare despite the pandemic.

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