

Superintendent Report





August 25, 2021







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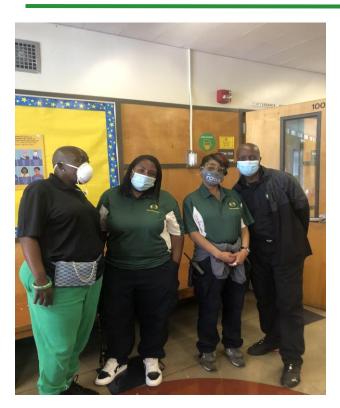
Highlights from First Two Weeks of School

School Supply Student Support



Since before school started, District partners have been working feverishly to make sure students have backpacks/totes and school supplies. Lend A Hand Foundation teamed up with many organizations to get supplies to 22 schools, including Parker K-8 last Monday. SupplyBank handed out totes with school supplies to the entire student body at REACH Academy on Friday, August 13.

Climate and Culture Keepers



Central Culture and Climate Ambassadors are out at schools building strong community relationships. Here are middle school Culture & Climate Ambassadors meeting with the Culture Keepers at Madison Park and CCPA. This work originates from the George Floyd Resolution.







Focused on Relationships



The Frick United Academy of Language school community began the new year with relationships and community building at the center of it work. Frick uses restorative practices and policies, and school staff and faculty were trained in restorative justice practices so they can hold community building circles. All the Frick faculty also engaged in a school wide Parent-Teacher home visit training so that teachers feel prepared to engage deeply with the families of their students.







Covid Safety Protocols

Ventilation Update

MERV-16

 The District has placed MERV-16 filters in all HVAC systems throughout the district.

Additional Protections in Learning Spaces:

- 2 HEPA air purifiers in every classroom, as well as shared spaces and offices.
- 100% classrooms have been assessed and repairs were made where possible.
- Staff are encouraged to work with students in open, ventilated spaces or outdoors, whenever possible.

Cafeteria Spaces

- All cafeterias have MERV-16 air filters installed in HVAC System
- Large high volume drum fans are being set up in all cafeterias to dramatically improve air exchanges and ventilation in dining spaces.
- Students are encouraged to eat outdoors where possible.









Unhealthy Air Quality- COVID Guidance

Merv 16 Air Filters and portable air purifiers with HEPA filters protect against exposure to **air pollutants** caused by wildfires and COVID 19. When air quality is poor the goal is to reduce exposure to outside air and increase air purification. In 2020, there were a total of 6 "Unhealthy" Air Quality Days in Oakland.

When Air Quality Index exceeds 126 and qualifies as a "Spare the Air Day" classrooms should begin to close windows and outside doors.

- OUSD will send communication to all OUSD employees and families notifying them of the air quality issues.
- Teachers and staff should ensure all Portable Air Purifiers are on HIGH to ensure maximum filtration in classrooms to reduce exposure to COVID 19.
- Reduce outdoor activities for students with asthma or other respiratory conditions once AQI hits 101 or higher
- Outdoor activities should be cancelled for all students if the AQI reaches 151.

Air Quality Index (AQI)

301-500	Hazardous				
201-300	Very Unhealthy				
151-200	Unhealthy				
101-150	Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups				
Spare The Air – reduce driving – when the AQI is forecast to meet or exceed 126.					
51-100	Moderate				
0-50	Good				

OUSD will use the forecasting and monitoring provided by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District at <a href="https://www.baagmd.gov/about-air-quality/current-air

Vaccine Protocols

Available to all staff and students 12+ who want it.

Staff: Effective Sept 7, all OUSD staff, contractors, and volunteers (including remote workers) will required to be fully vaccinated, or get weekly COVID testing.

- All staff will receive an email from vaccinestatus staff@ousd.org
- Staff will follow the guidance in the email.

We will be launching a fall vaccine outreach campaign to all students and families to support the county public health department in increasing vaccination rates across the city.







Vaccine Outreach

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School-Based Vaccine Pop-Ups - Partnership with Alameda County & School-Based Health Center Lead Agencies

The following clinics are open to students, staff and members of the public:

- Fremont High School
 - Wednesdays, 1:30-4:00, 8/25, 9/8, 9/15
- Oakland Tech High School
 - o Thursdays, 9:00-1:00, 8/26, 9/2, 9/9, 9/16
- Skyline High School
 - Thursdays, 12:00-4:00, 8/26, 9/2, 9/9, 9/16

More clinics will be set up soon. Visit: https://familycentral.ousd.org/health/covid-vaccine-information for registration links and other community locations for vaccine access.









Covid Testing

Required for:

- all unvaccinated staff, contractors, volunteers at least weekly (starting 9/7)
- students attending school in modified quarantine
- students in prolonged close contact prior to returning (in most situations)

Recommended for:

- Symptomatic persons, regardless of vaccination status
- Persons in prolonged close contact with a COVID positive individual, regardless of vaccination status
- Unvaccinated persons 1-2x per week

Testing Program Features:

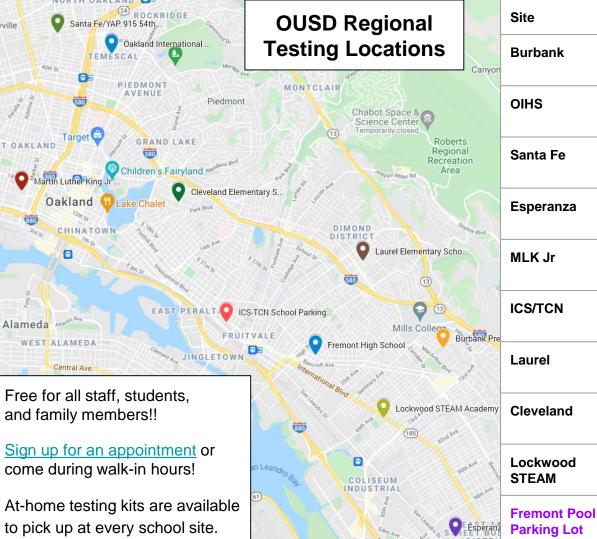
- ★ 10 Regional Testing Locations (rapid antigen, PCR)
- ★ Rapid Response Teams (deployed to school sites to support modified quarantine or outbreaks)
- ★ At-Home Rapid Testing Kits (at every school site)
- ★ 20,210 tests administered from August 6-August 24
- ★ 6,210 unique OUSD community members (including 50% students, 30% staff, and 20% family members) have been tested in OUSD's testing program from Aug. 6 - Aug. 19, with an overall test positivity rate of 2.15% (Data as of Aug. 19, 2021)











Monday 8am-4pm 4521 Webster St

960 10th St

Address

3550 64th Ave

Wednesday 8am-4pm Tuesday 9am-4pm Thursday 9am-4pm

915 54th St 10315 E St

2500-2878 E 12th St

3750 Brown Ave

745 Cleveland St

6701 International

4550 Foothill Blvd

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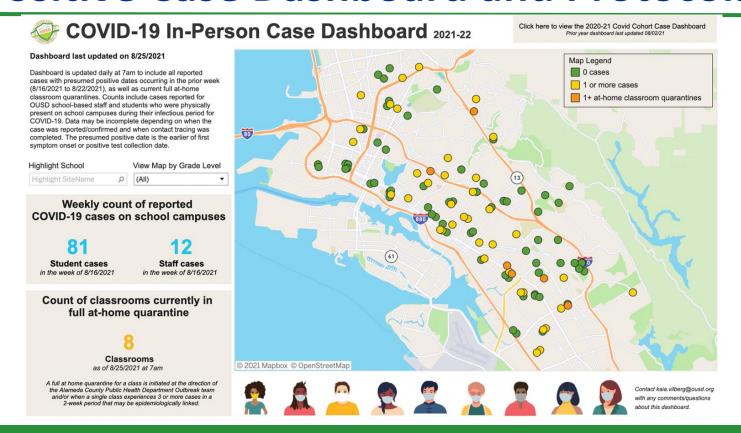
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Hours (subject to change)

Positive Case Dashboard and Protocols







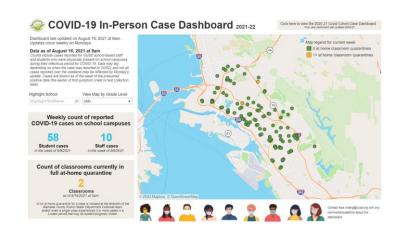




Contact Tracing & Case Monitoring

When there is a positive case:

- Notify principal
- 2. Principal notifies Contact Tracing teams
- 3. Contact Tracer interviews principal and positive person/family member, and others as needed
- 4. COVID team meets with principal to coordinate communication to:
 - a. Positive person
 - b. Close Contacts
 - c. Community
- 5. Quarantine guidance WILL differ based on vaccination status & masking compliance
 - a. Rapid response teams will conduct testing on site in the 2 weeks following a positive case



https://www.ousd.org/covidcasedashboar <u>d</u>







What we can do to keep our schools safe

- 1. Get vaccinated (required for staff or weekly testing)
- 2. Wear a mask indoors and outdoors
- 3. Stay home when sick
- 4. Wash your hands or use sanitizer frequently
- 5. Get COVID tested if you have symptoms, have been exposed, or are unvaccinated
- 6. Notify your school if you test positive







Sojourner Truth/Independent Study Update

Sojourner Truth Update

- Currently, 633 students are enrolled at Sojourner Truth;
- We started accepting students from the waitlist and students are enrolling at Sojourner Truth;
- Potential projected amount of students is 1066;
- 25 additional teachers have been allocated, in addition to the 7
 existing teachers and additional Special Education Teachers/Services;
- We are establishing partnerships to continue to develop a robust program for the growing enrollment of the school.





Additional Services for Sojourner Truth

- A Community School Manager has been allocated;
- A Teacher on Special Assignment has been allocated;
- Additional wrap-around services will be allocated as enrollment is evaluated for additional tutoring, mental health services, etc.

Please Visit our OUSD Website for more information:

https://www.ous d.org/independe ntstudy













School Based short-term Independent Study

- Any student who is on at-home quarantine will be <u>offered</u> School Based short-term Independent Study
 - Student will need to sign an agreement to do so
 - If family does not opt into School Based short-term Independent Study, absences will be treated as excused absences if a student must quarantine.
- Teachers are encouraged, but not currently required, to engage with School Based short-term Independent Study students via Zoom





Updates from the First Two Weeks of School

Enrollment Update (TK-12)

Grade	2021 Aug 23 (Day 11)	Prior Year: 2020 Aug 24 (Day 11)	2021 Sojourner Truth Enrollment (Day 11) Incl. in totals		
Kindergarten	2,869 (+120)	2,749	41		
6th	2,326 (-41)	2,367	40		
9th	2,354 (+33)	2,321	37		
All Grades	34,970 (-623)	35,593	633		

Note: Enrollment numbers are considered preliminary until Day 20.







Overall Attendance Update (Aug 9-Aug 23)

Grade level	All Students	ELL	New- comer	SPED	Unhoused	Foster Youth	African American	Asian	Latino	White
Gr TK-5	89%	89%	88%	84%	81%	79%	86%	90%	88%	94%
Gr 6-8	93%	93%	92%	88%	88%	92%	90%	96%	93%	96%
Gr 9-12	89%	83%	80%	87%	93%	75%	86%	95%	87%	94%







^{*} MetWest and Sojourner Truth NOT included.





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Music/Drama/Sports Activities Are Allowed

All extracurricular activities are allowed, including:

- Band
- Drama
- Choir/Singing
- Drumline
- Sports

Recommended:

- Outdoors is preferred
- Purchased specialized PPE for instruments
- Masks required for all indoor activities and outdoor close-contact sports, and outdoor music with singing and wind instruments







Youth Sports Guidance

All Youth Sports, Games, and Conditioning are allowed.

Masks are required for all youth sports activities, indoors and outdoors.

Vaccinations are strongly recommended for all eligible athletes.

Testing is recommended 1-2x per week. Rapid, selfadministered tests will be provided to all student athletes for use before practices, conditioning, and games.



Eating on Campus

Students can eat in the cafeteria together.

To the extent possible, try to:

- Eat outdoors
- Space students out
- Have students eat with their cohort at elementary school
- Keep doors and windows open in the cafeteria.
- Have students wash their hands/use hand sanitizer before and after lunch.
- Minimize eating time indoors to less than 15 minutes

