

## 2/1/21 COVID-19 HEALTH DATA UPDATE

Briefings are posted on our website at www.tulsaschools.org.



## Refresher: our Health Data Monitoring Process

- The three categories of metrics are monitored weekly
- If a foundational health care metric hits threshold, or we detect an early warning from one of our indicators, evaluation and discussion will be triggered.
  - o Data is compiled and initially reviewed on Fridays.
  - Evaluation and discussions occur on Monday mornings.
  - Daily monitoring begins when metrics are close to thresholds
- Evaluations address both specific school sites and the entire district.



#### Four types of potential actions can occur based on our assessment of the data:

- **1.** No changes necessary at this time.
- 2. Additional monitoring of all data points coupled with increased, targeted rapid COVID testing.
- **3.** Shift from in-person to full distance learning at a specific classroom, school, or multiple schools.
- **4.** Change the default mode of instruction for some or all grade levels through a formal recommendation to the Board of Education.

#### Refresher: Foundational & Contextual Data

## Early Warning Indicators at TPS Schools

- These data will help us to monitor conditions that are more localized and specific to our context. These data will help us to be more sensitive to conditions within schools to know if cases are higher or lower than overall county averages. These metrics are:
  - → Tulsa Public Schools rapid testing results
  - → New case rates for team members and students (TPS contact tracing)

### Foundational School System Metrics

- These internal data measure our ability to appropriately respond to early warning indicators and enact the necessary safety precautions at our schools. These metrics are:
  - → Availability of necessary PPE
  - → Rates of quarantine
  - Staffing capacity

#### Foundational Health Care Metrics

- These core metrics will help us understand overall rates of community spread.
   These data will help us to assess overall risk and changes in our greater community that may necessitate a change in our response. The core metrics are:
  - → 7-day rolling average of new cases in Tulsa Public Schools boundary (calculated from public data).
  - → 7-day rolling average of new cases in Tulsa County

## High level assessment from 2/1 health data review

#### **Foundational Health Care Metrics**

- Steady decline over last few weeks.
- Rates might be stabilizing at the lower boundary of what we've seen since cases started to dramatically rise mid-November.

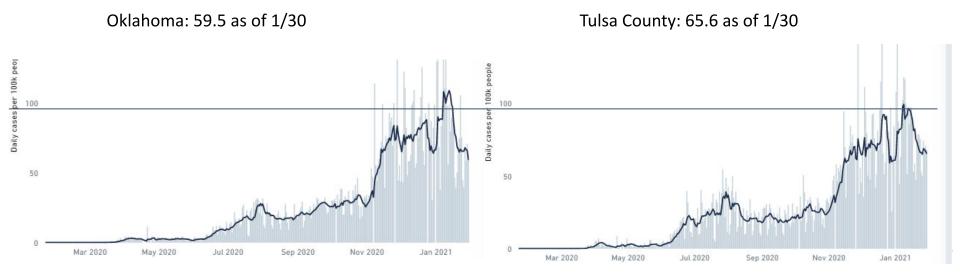
#### **Early Warning Indicators**

- Case counts for TPS remain stable at a low level.
- 430 vaccinated to date of 65+ age group in team Tulsa.

#### **Foundational System Metrics**

- We continue to monitor closely and work on staffing levels for teacher and support professionals.
- We are seeing a small increase in applications to vacant positions and a few are being filled.

New cases have begun to stabilize after decreasing for nearly two straight weeks. New case rates are now on par with late November levels.



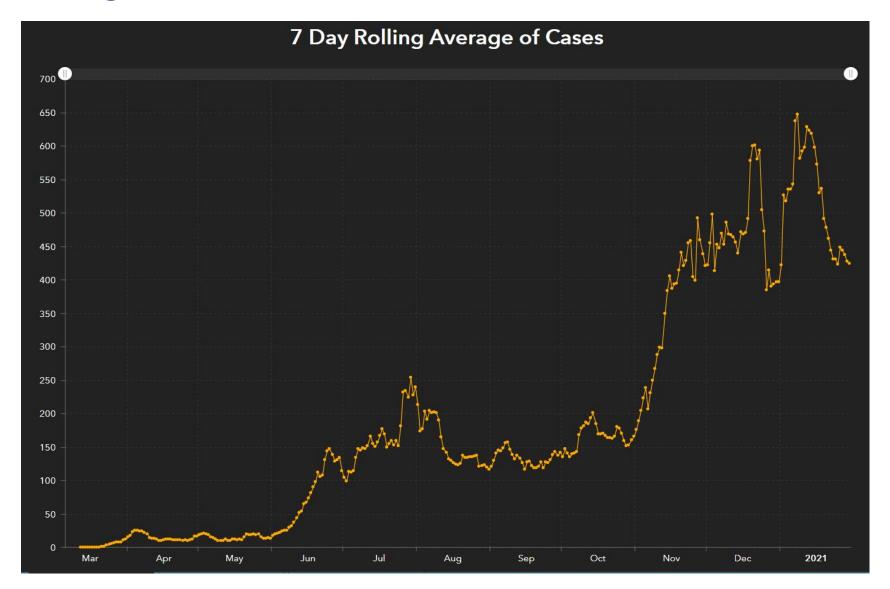
#### From 1/25 report:

Oklahoma: 66.9 as of 1/23Tulsa County: 68.2 as of 1/23

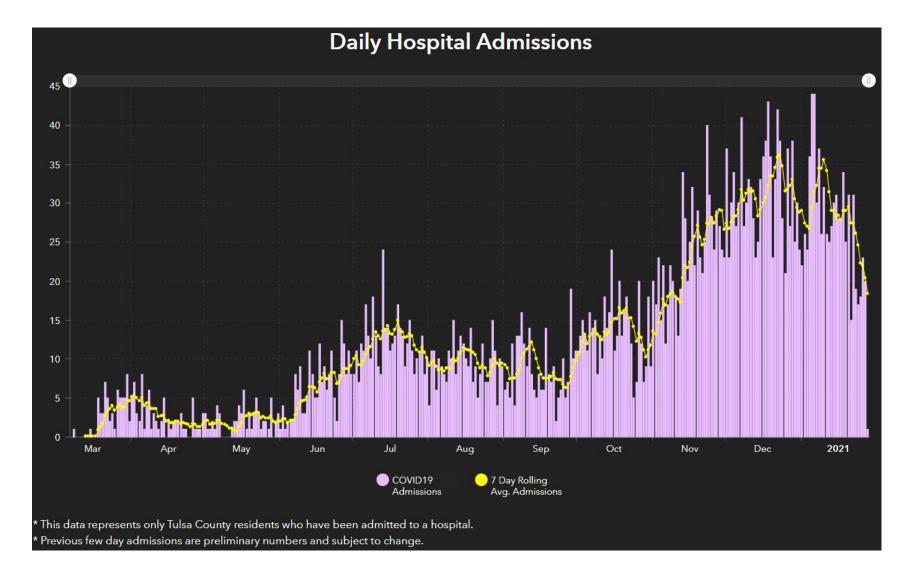
**Updated** 

Source: globalepidemics.org.

## Foundational Health Care Metrics - 7 Day Rolling Average



## Hospitalizations have begun to trend down. Changes usually lag new case rates by a few weeks.



### **Foundational Health Care Metrics**

Jan 30, 2021

United States: 45.4

Oklahoma: 59.5

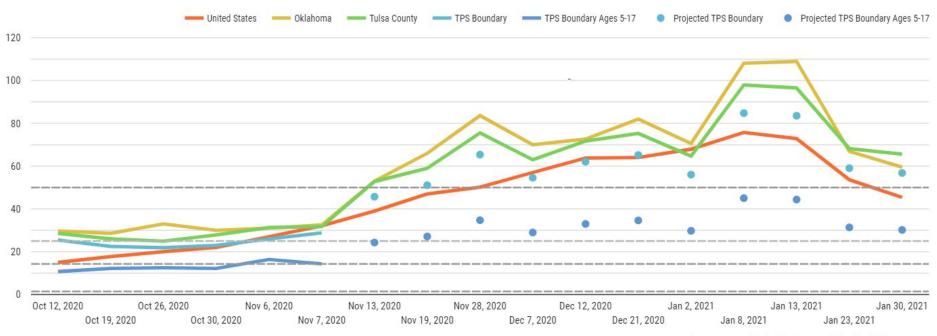
Tulsa County: 65.6

Projected TPS Boundary: 56.79

Projected TPS Boundary Ages 5-17: 30.17



#### 7-day Rolling Average New Cases per 100,000



Data sources: globalepidemics.org, Tulsa Health Department

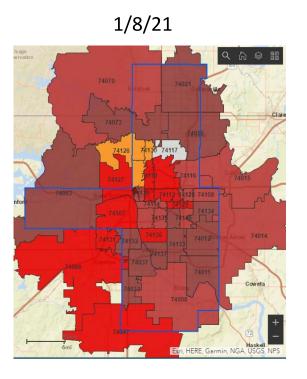
Note: Due to a change in reporting from the Oklahoma Department of Health, TPS boundary data are no longer able to be updated on a regular basis. Weekly projections based on the average percent difference between county and TPS data will be used according to the following historical averages:

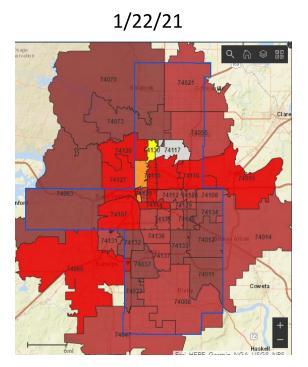
- TPS boundary, all ages: 14.3% lower than overall county rate
- **TPS boundary, 5-17:** 53.8% lower than overall county rate

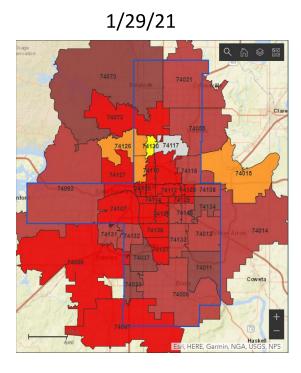
**WORKING DRAFT** 

## The number of zip codes in dark red has decrease.

#### **Updated**







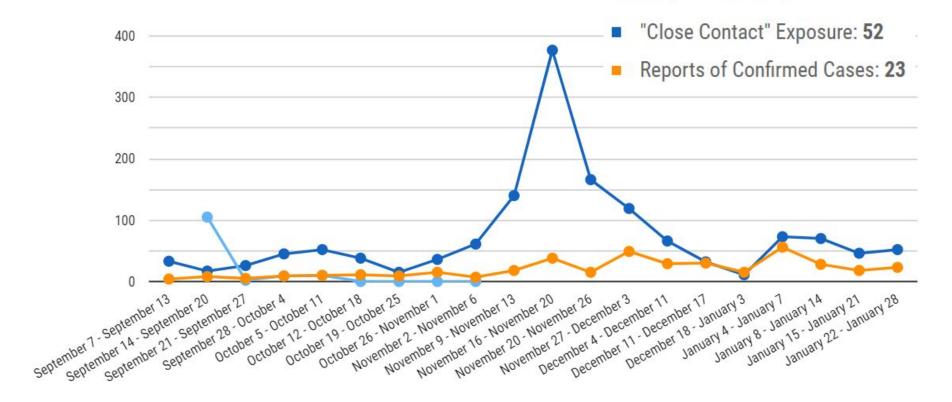
19 out of 42 zip codes are dark red. Last report was 28.

## **Early Warning Indicators at TPS Schools - TREND**

**Updated** 

Number of potential exposures, close contact exposures, and confirmed cases found by Tulsa Public Schools over time

January 22 - January 28



## **Local District Comparison - TREND**

**Updated** 

Jan 28, 2021

Owasso: 6.64%

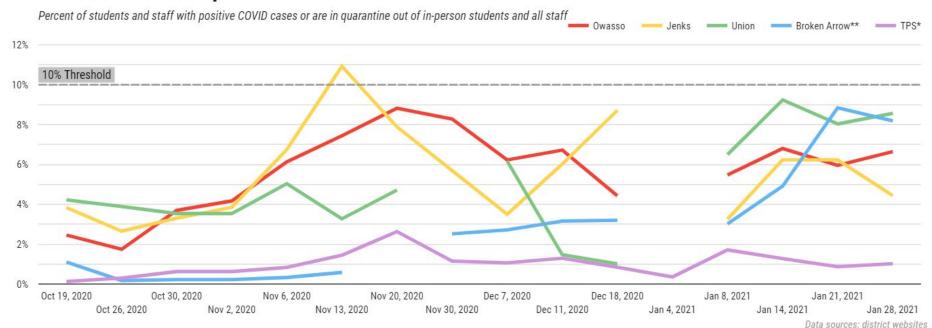
Jenks: 4.44%

Union: 8.56%

Broken Arrow\*\*: 8.19%

TPS\*: 1.02%

#### **Local District Comparisons Over Time**



\*TPS in-person students include only 1500 active student athletes; and only includes new cases/exposures from the past week; Jan 4 data represent total cases from 12/15 - 1/4 \*\*Broken Arrow Public Schools began including number of students in quarantine on November 30, 2020

## **Foundational System Metrics - Staffing**

- Support professionals continue to remain at similar levels of vacancies but starting to see positive movement from recruiting and have contingency plan with temporary staff for custodians.
- School site staffing overall no changes from last week.
- Substitutes needs remain consistent, and we are increasing recruiting efforts.

# Update on Covid-19 Vaccine for PreK-12 school employees

#### **Vaccination**

- 430 vaccinations have been done to date.
- Working to get 65+ group that has not been able to schedule appointment completed this week.
- We are working with THD to start next group on week of February 8.

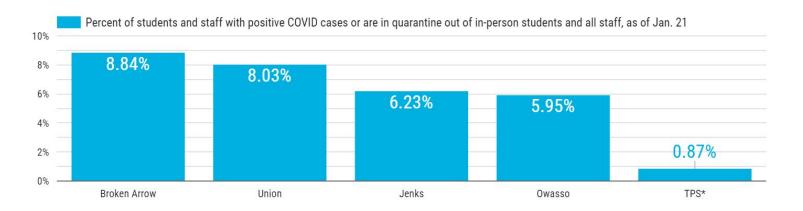


## DISCUSSION



## Early Warning Indicators at TPS Schools

#### **UPDATED**



| School District | Number of positive student cases/quarantined students | Total<br>number of<br>in-person<br>students | Number of positive<br>staff<br>cases/quarantined<br>staff | Total<br>number<br>of staff | Number of positive cases/quarantined individuals | Total number<br>of in-person<br>students and<br>all staff | Percent of students<br>and staff with positive<br>COVID cases or are in<br>quarantine out of in-<br>person students and all<br>staff, as of Jan. 21 x |
|-----------------|---|---|---|-----------------------------|--|---|---|
| Broken Arrow    | 1708  | 18658                                       | 149   | 2350                        | 1857   | 21008   | 8.84%   |
| Union           | 921   | 11107                                       | 126   | 1928                        | 1047   | 13035   | 8.03%   |
| Jenks           | 697   | 10573                                       | 67  | 1697                        | 764  | 12270   | 6.23%   |
| Owasso          | 474   | 7742  | 55  | 1142                        | 529  | 8884  | 5.95%   |
| TPS*            | 17  | 1500  | 47  | 5864                        | 64   | 7364  | 0.87%   |

Data source: District websites

#### **New COVID-19 Variants - Update**

 "Early data on one new variant had suggested that it was spreading more in children than in adults compared with other lineages. But researchers now suggest the variant is spreading more efficiently in all age groups, allaying those fears." - Nature (1.21.21)

"The conclusion is that the UK strain is 50% to 75% more infective, boosting its reproduction number Rt from ~1 toward 2." - <u>Arizona</u>
 <u>State University (1.12.21)</u>