



# FUHSD Reopening Committee

October 14, 2021

# Today's Agenda

- Welcoming remarks
- Update on the 2021-22 school year
- Vaccine requirements and mandates
- Positive cases and contact tracing
  - COVID-19 Case Dashboard
- On-site COVID testing
  - Required testing for students in instrumental music
  - Concerns about false positive Antigen tests
- Discussion in breakout groups

# Update on the 2021-22 School Year

- Bay Area counties have released guidance on when mask mandates can be lifted.
  - Should Santa Clara County meet these metrics, school districts would still be held to the stricter masking requirements that remain in place under CDPH guidance.
- For the time being we have decided to continue outdoor masking. It is difficult to distance during passing periods and we have been able to keep case counts low.
- We continue to update our Return to School & COVID-19 Resources webpage with all procedures and protocols.

# Vaccination Requirement for Staff

- CDPH health order requiring staff to either provide proof of vaccination or undergo weekly testing goes into full effect on Friday, Oct. 15.
- 91% of our staff is fully vaccinated, 2% is unvaccinated and 7% have declined to state or have not yet responded.
- We are working with individual staff who are not yet in compliance with the health order ahead of the Friday deadline.

# Vaccination Mandate for Students

- The Governor announced earlier this month that he has directed the CDPH to add the COVID-19 vaccine to other vaccinations required for in-person school attendance.
- Districts are still waiting on guidance on exactly when and how this will be implemented. At this time, we are hearing that it is likely this will go into effect in July 2022 for 7-12 graders.
- This mandate will be a condition of in-person attendance. A student who is not vaccinated may enroll in independent study, but may not attend in-person instruction.
- We have a districtwide vaccine clinic opportunity at Homestead High School on Saturday, Oct. 23 from 12 to 5 p.m. in the Field House.

# Positive cases & contact tracing

- Creation and hiring of 6 temporary employees to assist with contact tracing and other COVID-19 related duties at each school site
- Collection of vaccination information from families to assist in the contact tracing process

# COVID Cases Dashboard

## 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

COVID-19 Cases Dashboard : Sheet1

<b>Week of</b>	<b>Student Positives</b>	<b>Staff Positives</b>	<b>Close Contacts Notified</b>	<b>County Health Notified</b>
Oct. 4, 2021	2	0	Yes	Yes
Sept. 27, 2021	1	1	Yes	Yes
Sept. 20, 2021	4***	1	Yes	Yes
Sept. 13, 2021	0	0	n/a	n/a
Sept. 6, 2021	3	0	Yes	Yes
Aug. 30, 2021	4**	0	Yes	Yes
Aug. 23, 2021	8	0	Yes	Yes
Aug. 16, 2021	5	2*	Yes	Yes

# On-Site COVID-19 Testing

- Testing one day a week at each school site for:
  - Unvaccinated staff;
  - Staff that are asymptomatic who would like to test;
  - Student mask exemption;
  - Student modified quarantine;
  - Student, staff and families connected to an exposure to a positive case (close contacts); and
  - Students who play wind instruments (per CDPH guidelines for extracurricular activities).



# On-Site COVID-19 Testing

- Inspire Diagnostics is not currently billing insurance, FUHSD is covering the cost of all testing
  - Antigen tests are \$20 each
  - PCR tests are \$70 each

# On-Site COVID-19 Testing

- Concern from some families about false positives that have occurred with antigen tests
- Antigen tests can be prone to false positives
- However, Antigen test results come back 15-20 minutes vs. 2 to 3 days for a PCR result
- Unvaccinated students identified as close contacts are able to return to the classroom more quickly

# On-Site COVID-19 Testing

- Total number of tests since start of school: 5782
- Total number of false positives: 57
- All false positives last week were among instrumental music students

# Breakout Group Discussion

- Now that we've shared information about our on-site testing process, what questions or concerns do you have?
- What are the most pressing concerns you have now that we are several months into the school year?
- What are you hearing from other parents/students/staff members?



Questions?

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