

TOWN HALL with Board of Trustees and Head of School

The Oaks School Thursday, October 29, 2020 4pm

Reminders:

- This session is being recorded.
- A recording of this meeting and the slides will be emailed to you on Monday.
- Use the Q&A button at the bottom of your screen to submit your questions.

Thank you!

WELCOME AND AGENDA

- 1. Welcome from the Board of Trustees
- 2. Updates from the Parent Association
- 3. Highlights from Distance Learning and the Student Survey
- 4. Updates on Current Conditions in Los Angeles County
- 5. Return to School Plan
 - i. K-2 Waiver
 - ii. Faculty and Staff input
 - iii. General Approach
- 6. A Note About the Election
- 7. Questions and Answers

WELCOME FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Welcome from the Board

UPDATE FROM THE PARENT ASSOCIATION



Although we are not able to get together in person, we are still **together**.

> A big **thank you** to The Campout Committee for helping to make a touch of our annual campout come to life!

Under planning and reinvention: The Kids' Bake Sale and Craft Fair and The Book Fair

All are welcome to the PA meetings!

DISTANCE LEARNING AND STUDENT SURVEY



Opportunity to discuss

- Student Progress and Growth
- Learning Goals
- Resources



Student Survey

- Learning Model
- Student Engagement
- Student Relationships

STUDENT SURVEY

Learning Model:

How difficult or easy is it to use the distance learning technology?

Student Engagement:

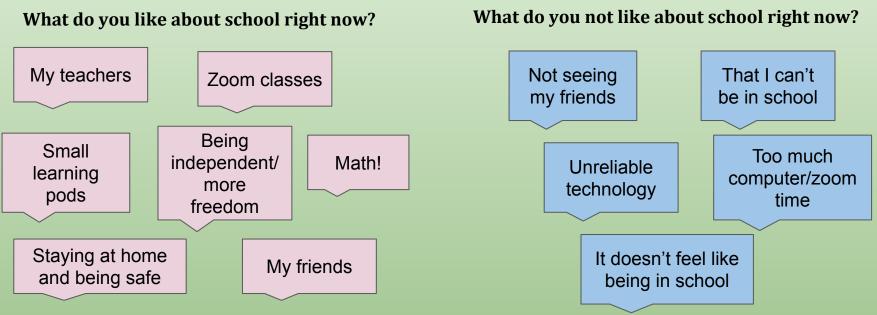
How happy are you with the amount of time you spend speaking with your teachers?

Student Relationships:

How happy are you with the amount of time you spend speaking with your friends from school?



STUDENT SURVEY



"I like how much support the teachers give to every one of the students."

"I like that we are responsible for going to class and remembering to do things."

"We can all still see each other even though we are on zoom"

"That we are stuck in COVID-19.

"Sometimes I don't like being on zoom because some things are harder to do than being in person."

"I really miss my friends in class and I really liked normal."

OVERVIEW: PLANNING PROCESS

Physical Health: Health and Safety

Academic Health: Program Design and Options

Social and Emotional Health: Social and Emotional Learning Community Health: Community Engagement Plans

WHAT IS INFORMING OUR PLANNING



CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION



CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS







Serving Students = Supporting Communities = Leading Educators





RE-OPENING PLAN/ PROCEDURES

2020-2021 Campus Re-Opening Plan | Click Here

Based on recent additions to LA County **DPH** Guidance for schools, our Re-Opening plan has been updated.

New version is on our website and will be emailed to you next week.

Updated procedures for school response to confirmed infections and exposure.

2020-2021 CAMPUS RE-OPENING PLAN

The Oaks will begin the 2020-21 school year in an all-distance mode. This is due to the current California state criteria that prevent on-campus instruction from taking place until the COVID-19 situation improves in Los Angeles County.

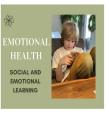
To read about our reopening plan for the rest of the school year, click on the links below.



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LEARNING POD



County risk level	New cases	Positive tests
WIDESPREAD Most schools are closed to in-person instruction, unless they meet certain conditions	More than 7 daily new cases (per 100k)	More than 8% positive tests
SUBSTANTIAL Schools can reopen for in-person instruction after they have remained in the red tier for 14 days	4 - 7 daily new cases (per 100k)	5 - 8% positive tests
MODERATE Schools can reopen for in-person instruction based on state and county guidance	1 - 3.9 daily new cases (per 100k)	2 - 4.9% positive tests
MINIMAL Schools can reopen for in-person instruction based on state and county guidance	Less than 1 daily new cases (per 100k)	Less than 2% positive tests
Source: California Department of Public Health (Covid19.CA.GOV)		

Tracking the coronavirus in Los Angeles County

> By Los Angeles Times Staff Updated Oct. 29, 8:48 a.m. Pacific



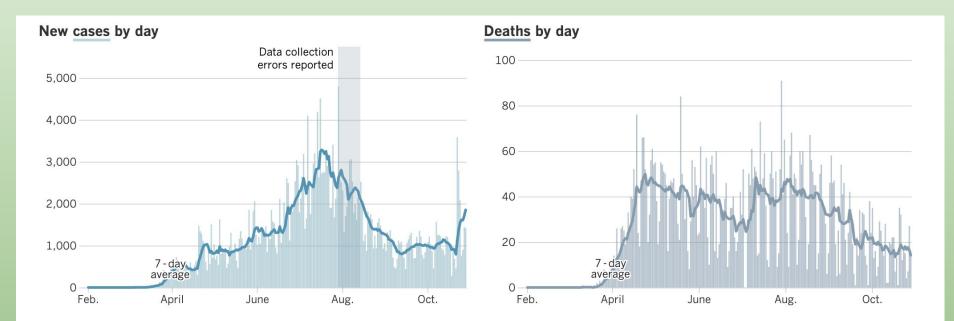
onfirmed cases

None yet today +1,418 yesterday **7,043**

None yet today +16 yesterday

Tier 1

- Virus transmission in the county is rated as widespread by the governor's reopening regime, which places the area in Tier 1 and keeps schools and most nonessential businesses closed.
- Over the past seven days, the county has reported an average of 1,851.7 new cases and 14.1 deaths per day.
- The county has reported cases in 343 cities or communities. East Los Angeles has tallied the most with 7,087.
- The number of hospitalizations is growing. There are now 750 patients with a confirmed case, an increase from fourteen days ago.



The lines above are seven-day averages. They offer a more stable view of the trend than daily totals. That's why experts wait for lines like these to flatten before they say conditions are improving.

WHAT IS THE CRITERIA FOR RE-OPENING?

- LA County needs to come off of the Governor's 'watchlist'
- New Criteria- Move out of Purple to Red
- LA County Health Department is being cautious. Counties have some latitude in deciding on re-opening
- Fun fact: Fully re-opening schools in Los Angeles County puts over 2 million students, faculty and staff back into daily activity. More than most counties and States.
- No K-12 schools, of any type, are cleared to re-open for in-person learning in LA County. Exception is a limited number of special needs students
- Holiday Season is a worry for public health officials

Update LACDPH Telebriefing October 28, 2020

Current metrics:

- Adjusted case rate for this week: 8 cases per 100,000 (last week was 7.6); this data keeps LA County in Tier 1.
- Test positivity rate: 3.4 % (gradual increase)
- Equity metric: 6.2% (also increased slightly)
- 1200 new cases per day.
- Seven-day average: 18 deaths per day (this number has not increased)
- Under 800 hospitalizations per day for the past month (also has not increased)
- Sports celebrations over the past two weeks and some re-openings account for the increase in cases. Cases are the result of smaller gatherings and the choices people have been making about their individual behavior.
- Planning for the rest of the year: the earliest we could get to Tier 2 is at least five weeks away. Dr. Ferrer hopes that by mid-November, LACDPH can give better direction about what they think will happen in December and post-Winter break.

As Dodgers and Lakers win, coronavirus spreads at celebrations, alarming health officials

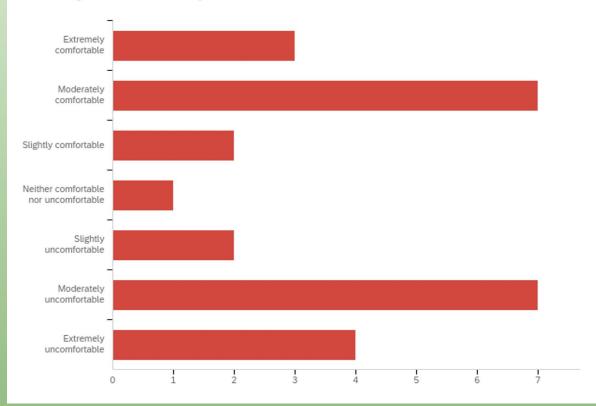


K-2 Waiver Application

- If approved, allows schools to re-open for grades K-2 only
- LA DPH reviews and approves the application
- Consultation with LA DPH
- Review of our plans and ensures that they are in line with the recommendations
- Requires school to demonstrate that a majority of faculty and staff support the application
- Support required from other stakeholders as well (PA and Board, Community Partners
- Formation of a Re-opening Task Force- Primarily for education and enforcement of rules
- Up to 30 waivers approved each week
- Priority for schools serving low-income students
- Split evenly among the 5 Supervisor Districts
- 2-3 week processing time*

K-2 Waiver Application

Q1 - As Los Angeles moves closer to re-opening, how comfortable are you feeling about returning to teach on campus?



K-2 Waiver Application

Current waiver application breakdowns:

- 103 private schools
- 5 charter schools
- 46 public schools
- 29 schools approved to date; LACDPH will post the names of the schools and waiver application materials

The Oaks has submitted the waiver application. We are awaiting feedback from LACDPH.

Most likely scenario is a January start for hybrid classes in K-2. Details to be determined.

GENERAL APPROACH TO RE-OPENING



- Health and Safety of all stakeholders comes first
- A cautious and steady return to in-person learning allowing for students to adjust to new norms
- One month at a time planning window
- Expect the situation to evolve
- Lean into flexibility

TIMELINE FOR RETURN TO SCHOOL

Phase 1: Two Options

- 1. Distance Learning Program
- 2. Hybrid Program: M/W group T/Th group- ¹/₂ days

Phase 2: Three Options

- 1. Distance Learning Program continues
- 2. Hybrid Program continues: M/W group T/Th group Full Days
- 3. In-Person Program begins: M-Th ¹/₂ days

Phase 3: Three Options

- 1. Distance Learning Program continues
- 2. Hybrid Program continues: M/W group T/Th group Full Days
- 3. In-Person Program begins: M-Th Full days



How to support the Faculty

Continue	Stop
'Scaffolding' your children to independence	Doing too much for them
Helping them be on time and prepared	Leaving them to handle it all on their own
Listening in and monitoring when possible	Interrupting the class, correcting other children, overly coaching your child
Modeling curiosity for your children	Making judgements and attacking.
Work with Faculty to solve problems	Complaining to others without working directly with the faculty

A note about the election

Questions and Answers