

Superintendent Chat

Empowering Every Child Every Day

January 13, 2021



Newsom's Proposed "Safe Schools for All" Plan

- \$2 Billion
- \$450 per student plus additional funding based on number of socio-economically disadvantaged students, English learners, foster youth, and McKinney Vento students up to an extra \$250 max.
- Only schools in counties with fewer than 28 positive cases per 100,000
 - Currently only 11 counties in the entire State meet this threshold
- Required to submit a COVID-19 Safety Plan and negotiated agreements with bargaining groups
- Plan focuses on TK-6 students
 - By Feb 15 for TK-2
 - By March 15 for grades 3-6
- Testing requirements
 - Every 2 weeks vs Weekly

\$54 Billion in New Elementary & Secondary Schools Emergency Relief Act Funding (ESSER)

- California K-12 schools to see roughly \$6.8 Billion of these funds in 2021
- Like the first round of ESSER funding, these dollars will be allocated to States and ultimately local education agencies based upon Title 1 distributions for 2020-21 (subject to Fed guidelines).
- NSD is projected to receive \$3,017,912.



LA County Updates from Dr. Ferrer

- School District are still exempt under the current extended Safer at Home Order.
- Vaccine Update- school personnel are scheduled to be part of Phase 1B, Tier 1. Hope to begin as soon as early February.
- Any 3 positive COVID cases may cause the school site to shut down for 14 days (Determined by LACDPH)
- LA County Public Health strongly recommends that all TK-12 schools in the county suspend in person student instruction, services, and activities during the month of January as much as possible. It is not an order, but a strong recommendation that activities be limited to meal distribution, testing and assessments that cannot be delivered virtually or any services that cannot be delayed for at least the next three weeks. Distance learning is recommended as much as possible.

LACOE Survey Results (1.11.21)

Has your district taken action to suspend all in-person instruction, activities and services, excluding food distribution, for the month of January?

- Yes - 62.75%
- No - 19.61%
- Under consideration - 17.65%

If your district has not suspended all in-person instruction, activities and services for the month of January, please select the following activities that will continue.

- TK - 12 in-person instruction - 4.55%
- Special education in-person instruction - 13.64%
- Special education in-person assessments - 27.27%
- Other students with high needs in-person instruction - 22.73%

Governing Board's Direction

- Delay the launch of our TK-2 AM/PM Blended learning program until further notice.
- Continue all in-person SDC small cohort instruction until further notice.
 - Continue in-person assessments for students with IEPs when necessary
- Pause our in-person DLI small cohort instruction beginning January 19 – February 16.

Questions & Discussion



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