



COVID-19 UPDATES

October 15, 2020

COUNTY UPDATE

Tulare County continues to be in the purple-tier. Unfortunately, the County has seen a slight increase in the cases per 100,000:

Requirement of students on campus:

- 7 cases/100,000 - population- 7 day average
- Positivity Rate of less than 8% must be maintained for 2 weeks

Previous status at last Board meeting:

- 10.7 cases/100,000
- Positivity is 5.9%

Current County Status:

- 11 cases/100,000
- Positivity rate is 6.2%

DISTRICT INFORMATION

Here is the enrollment information:

	CBEDS	Enrollment Data 8/20	Enrollment Data 9/17	Enrollment Data 10/1	Enrollment Data 10/13
TU	1,751	1,562	1,560	1,563	1,547
TW	2,107	1,870	1,884	1,885	1,880
MO	1,546	1,459	1,463	1,461	1,451
CS	23	22	22	25	26
TP	37	22	23	24	23
AC	138	152	159	158	190
SV	87	588	580	579	578
Total	5,686	5,675	5,691	5,695	5,695

DISTRICT UPDATE:

The district has been working on the hybrid schedule and has received input from CTA, staff, administrators, and the distance learning committee. Lucy Van Scyoc has prepared a PowerPoint that she will present on the hybrid schedule.

[Link to the Distance Learning Presentation](#)

ATHLETICS:

Athletic conditioning practices started on Monday, October 12 for fall sports. At this point, the fall sports teams will be doing the conditioning practices. The teams will need to follow the safety guidelines given to them.

MEALS:

The total meals served through September 30, 2020, was 73,774. The meals served per day continue to increase, but slowly. The number of supper meals being served is also increasing due to the restart of the after-school XL program. These increased meals will help to offset the district's fixed costs and will help to reduce the food service financial deficit.

The USDA has implemented additional waivers for school meals programs, CDE has opted into those waivers and provided guidance to districts. Food Services began serving breakfast and lunch to all children age 1 to 18 for all seven days of the week through our grab and go curbside delivery and select bus stops. This waiver was initially supposed to end on September 14, 2020, but has now been extended through June 2021.

Food Services is participating with USDA's Farmers to Families food box program. The boxes contain milk, eggs, dairy products, produce, and cooked chicken. We began distributing boxes to our families at last Tuesday's curbside distributions at Mission Oak, Tulare Union, and Tulare Western. We distributed 48 pallets of food, approximately 720 boxes. The agreement supporting this participation is provided for ratification at tonight's board meeting. We are also working with Tulare City Schools to distribute any excess boxes we may receive.

The Bus Stop meal distribution times have been adjusted because our bus drivers are now transporting the small cohort students to and from school. The later distribution times will require some overtime but those costs will be covered by the Corona Relief Funds. We have updated the flyers on the district website and social media sites and parents have been informed through Parent Square.

The Food Services operation's expenses continue to exceed income. Through September 30, 2020, we have a deficit of approximately \$152,000. This shortage is primarily due to fewer meals being served which results in decreased Federal and State reimbursements and fixed labor costs.