SAN DIEGO COUNTY K-12 SCHOOLS TELEBRIEFING

August 4, 2020

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SAN DIEGO

NEW GUIDANCE'S!

SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL BASED PROGRAMS

(LINKED HERE)

YOUTH SPORTS GUIDANCE

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THE STATE COVID-19 WATCHLIST

		Elevated Disease Transmission		Increasing Hospitalization**	Limited Hospital Capacity**	
Threshold	<150	Case Rate >100 OR Case Rate >25 AND Positivity >8%		>10% Increase	<20% ICU Beds Available OR <25% Ventilators Available	
County	Avg # tests per day (per 100,000 population) (7 day average with a 7 day lag)	Case rate per 100,000 (14 days)	Testing positivity (%) (7 day average with a 7 day lag)	% Change in 3-day avg COVID+ hospitalized patients	% ICU beds currently available	% Ventilators currently available

County of San Diego had an elevated case rate >100/100,000

| State notifies COSD that "Case Rate" Metric is Elevated - Day 1 | → | State notifies COSD that "Case Rate" Metric is Elevated – Day 2 | → | State notifies COSD that "Case Rate" Metric is Elevated – Day 3 | → | State Placed COSD on Public Watch List |
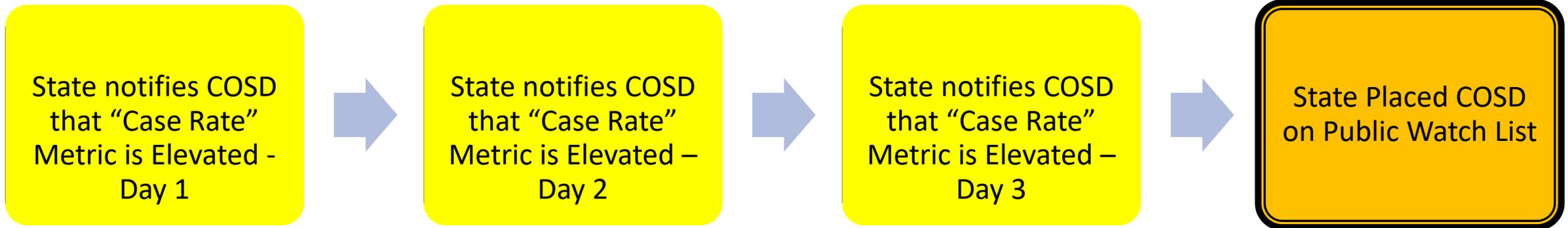
- To get on the Watch List, a county needs to meet the threshold in any one of the six data points for 3 consecutive days for to be placed on Public Watch List.
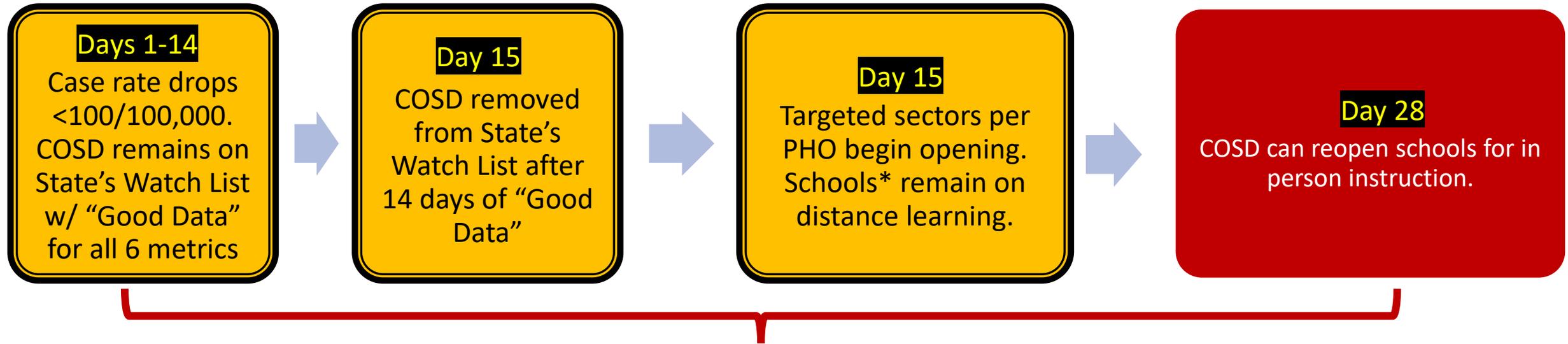- If/when we get off the Watch List, we can get back on if we pass any of the thresholds again.
- Case Rate is an average, measured using date of illness onset with a 3-day lag for the 14-day case rate.

State definition of 14-day case rate: The total number of cases diagnosed and reported over a 14-day period divided by the number of people living in the county. This number is then multiplied by 100,000.   Due to reporting delay, there is a 3-day lag. For example, a case rate calculated on April 1st would correspond to cases occurring from March 15th - March 28th. Although case rates are often calculated using the date they were reported to the health department, this measure uses the episode date. The episode date is the earliest of several dates and corresponds to the earliest date that the case can be known to have had the infection.

https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/CountyMonitoringDataStep1.aspx

HOW WE GET OFF THE WATCHLIST

Days 1-14
Case rate drops <100/100,000. COSD remains on State's Watch List w/ "Good Data" for all 6 metrics

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Day 15
COSD removed from State's Watch List after 14 days of "Good Data"

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Day 15
Targeted sectors per PHO begin opening. Schools* remain on distance learning.

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Day 28
COSD can reopen schools for in person instruction.

- While it only takes 3 days to get ON the Watch List, it takes 14 to get OFF of it
- San Diego County would need to have **240** cases or less per day for 14 days (less than 3,370 over 14 days) to be removed from Watch List for the case rate metric alone
- If/when we get off the Watch List, we can get back on if we pass any of the thresholds again so we must remain vigilant
- After 14 more days of "good data/metrics" County can reopen schools for in-person instruction. (*See Reopening in Person Learning: If the local health jurisdiction (LHJ) has been on the monitoring list within the last 14 days, the school must conduct distance learning only, until their LHJ has been off the monitoring list for at least 14 days)

This does not apply to any elementary schools who have received waivers for in-person instruction

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HOW WE PRESENT THIS INFORMATION DAILY

	Avg # tests per day (per 100,000 population) (7-day avg with a 7-day lag)*	Case rate per 100,000 (14 days)	% Testing positivity (7-day average with a 7-day lag)*	% Change in 3-day avg COVID+ hospitalized patients	% ICU beds currently available	% Ventilators currently available
Threshold	<150	Case rate: >100 *or* >25 *and* >8% positivity		>10% Increase	<20% ICU Beds *or* <25% Ventilators Available	
Report Date: 8/3/2020	213.5*	118.2	6.1%*	0.6%	21.6%	63.7%
Report Date: 8/2/2020	216.1*	120.4	6.1%*	0.6%	21.6%	63.7%
Report Date: 8/1/2020	218.3*	120.4	6.3%*	0.6%	21.6%	63.7%
Report Date: 7/31/2020	220.1*	126.6	6.2%*	0.6%	21.6%	63.7%
Report Date: 7/30/2020	227.7*	134.4	6.3%*	0.6%	21.6%	63.7%
Report Date: 7/29/2020	230.4*	139.4	6.5%*	0.6%	21.6%	63.7%
Report Date: 7/28/2020	236.2*	130.1	6.3%*	0.6%	21.6%	63.7%

Data are preliminary and subject to change; data from California Department of Public Health except test data;*test metrics calculated using San Diego County data 7/23-8/3 hospitalization and healthcare capacity metrics frozen by the State from 7/22 due to State changes in source data
Prepared by County of San Diego, Emergency Operations Center, 8/3/2020

https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/Epidemiology/COVID-19_Daily_Status_Update.pdf-8/3/20

HOW WE PRESENT THIS INFORMATION DAILY

Epidemiology (Surveillance)	Healthcare (Hospital Capacity)	Public Health (Response)
1. Case Rate (>100) 118.2 ❌	5. Hospital Capacity (80%+) 70% ✅	10. Testing Positivity (8%+) 6.1% ✅
2. Community Outbreaks* (7+) 39 ❌	6. Increasing Hospitalizations (>10%) 0.6% ✅	11. Case Investigation (≤70%) 48% ❌
3. COVID-19 Syndromic (upward) 2% ✅	7. ICU Capacity* (<20%) 36% ✅	12. Contact Tracing (≤70%) 86% ✅
4. Influenza-Like Illness (upward) 3% ✅	8. Limited Ventilator Capacity (<25%) 48% ✅ 9. PPE Supply* (≤50%) 74% ✅	13. Homeless Population (<15%) 38% ✅

https://sdcounty.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/30b5e0fa2a5f4404b1219d8cd16b2583-8/3/20

WAIVER PROCESS OVERVIEW

- **CDPH recommends that schools within jurisdictions with 14-day case rates more than two times the threshold to be on the County Monitoring List (>200 cases/100,000 population) should not be considered for a waiver to re-open in-person instruction**

- This elementary school waiver is applicable only for grades TK-6, even if the grade configuration at the school includes additional grades

- Applications and all supporting documents must be submitted to the County at least 14 days prior to the desired reopening date

- Prior to applying for the waiver, the applicant (or his/her staff) must

  (1) consult with labor, parent, and community organizations, and

  (2) publish elementary school reopening plans on the website of the local educational agency (or equivalent). Examples of community organizations include school-based non-profits and local organizations that support student enrichment, recreation, after-school programs, health services, early childhood services or provide family support

- When applying for the waiver, the applicant must submit to the County a waiver application form, to be provided by the local health organization. With evidence of (1) consultation with labor, parent, and community orgs. and (2) publication of the school reopening plans on the website of the local educational agency

THE COUNTY WILL REVIEW THE APPLICATION, SUPPORTING MATERIALS, AND CONSIDER:

- Whether in-person instruction can be provided in small, stable cohorts

- Local health guidance, safety plans, availability of PPE, and availability of resources for COVID-19 investigation and response

- Current new case rate, testing % positivity trends, and the number and degree of indicators above thresholds to be on the County Monitoring List

- Local hospitalization trends and hospital capacity

- Any other local conditions or data

- Availability of testing in the ++community and via employee health plans

- The extent to which the applicant has consulted with staff, labor organizations, community, and parent organizations

GRANTING OR DENYING A WAIVER

- Following review, the County will consult with CDPH regarding the determination whether to grant or deny the waiver application

- If the County has not received a further response within three business days of submission, the waiver application may be approved or denied consistent with CDPH instructions

- The County may conditionally grant an application with limits on the number of elementary schools allowed to re-open or allow re-opening in phases to monitor for any impact on the community

Are private schools exempt from following the state guidelines and closures?

No, The **COVID-19 INDUSTRY GUIDANCE: Schools and School Based Programs** and **COVID-19 and Reopening In-Person Learning Framework for K-12 Schools in California, 2020-2021 School Year** apply to all schools: public (both district and charter) and private schools.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Outdoor and indoor sporting events, assemblies, dances, rallies, field   trips, and other activities that require close contact or that would promote congregating are not permitted at this time

- Activities where there is increased likelihood for transmission from contaminated exhaled droplets such as band and choir practice and performances are not permitted.

YOUTH SPORTS

- Youth sports and physical education are permitted only when the following can be maintained: (1) physical distancing of at least six feet; and (2) a stable cohort, such as a class, that limits the risks of transmission

- For sports that cannot be conducted with sufficient distancing or cohorting, only physical conditioning and training is permitted and ONLY where physical distancing can be maintained.

- Conditioning and training should focus on individual skill building (*e.g.*, running drills and body weight resistance training) and should take place outside, where practicable.

- Indoor physical conditioning and training is allowed only in counties where gyms and fitness centers are allowed to operate indoors.

- Consistent with guidance for gyms and fitness facilities, cloth face coverings must be worn during indoor physical conditioning and training or physical education classes (except when showering). Activities that require heavy exertion should be conducted outside in a physically distanced manner without face coverings

- ## NEW UPDATES!

- Teachers, support staff, and administrators can return to work physically without students on site while counties are on the monitoring list provided that adults on site engage in physical distancing and wear face coverings. School administrators should also consider precautions outlined in the [guidance on office workspaces](#) (PDF)

- More detailed guidance on conditions under which permissible in-person instruction and services for small sets of students, such as those provided pursuant to an individualized education program (IEP), is forthcoming

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THANK YOU, PLEASE ASK ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS IN THE CHAT!

For more information please visit our webpage

Coronavirus-sd.com/K12Schools

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