

Public Schools



# COVID-19 Protection Plans:

What's Next?



# COVID-19 School Safety: *The Many Layers of Protection*

Vaccination

Universal masking

Social distancing

Contact Tracing

COVID-19 Testing

Clean hands

Disinfection of contaminated spaces

\$100 million dollars invested in high indoor air quality

High quality communications

Stay home if sick

Care Rooms

Cohorting when possible





# CPS COVID-19 Vaccination Events (as of 1/22/22)

>33,000 vaccine doses delivered since Feb 2021

COVID-19 Vaccination Program for CPS students, staff and families:

Over 577 vaccination events from July 1, 2021 to Jan. 22, 2022:

96 Regional Clinics at 4 permanent school locations

481 Mobile Events

School-Based Health Centers:

24 offer Pfizer for 12+ yr olds

16 offer Pfizer for 5-11 yr olds

Satellite Clinic at Saucedo ES on the Saucedo / Telpochalli campus (zip: 60623) started 1/22/2022. (Saturdays through 2/26/22)

Vaccination events remained open operation during the work stoppage



*COVID-19 vax opportunities still outpace demand; slots remain unfilled*

*To make your Vaccination Plan today visit:*

[www.cps.edu/vaccination](http://www.cps.edu/vaccination)



# COVID-19 Testing at CPS: *An Update*

## COVID-19 Screening Tests (PCR = definitive, gold standard)

>600,000 completed since Jan 2021 (469,000 since Sept 2021)

About 55,000 tests completed during week of Jan 17 (incl 17,737 on 1/18/ 2022)

2.5% positive (down dramatically from peak of 20% in late Dec 2021)

School-based screening testing continued during the CTU work stoppage

## Expanding Testing Capacity:

Purchased 350,000 tests from the State for \$1M; distributed these to schools

Home antigen tests for staff as an additional resource.

Partnering with community organizations to offer additional testing events in CPS buildings



# CPS Contact Tracing Updates (as of 1/22/2022)

14,000+ cases reported in SY 21-22 (> 9550 students, >4500 adults)

Increased Contact Tracing Team Capacity:

50 Contact Tracers



# Isolation & Quarantine Period Update

CPS will align with CDC/IDPH/CDPH to reduce isolation and quarantine periods from 10 to 5 days as of Feb 1, 2022

Masking and social distancing are *even more important* since up to 30% of COVID-19 cases still shed live virus after Day #5; *If you shed, you can spread (unless other mitigation measures are in place)*

Education and socialization of these changes take time to achieve, especially in light of the politics of masking, testing, consent and vaccination



# Negotiated COVID-19 Measures

Expanding paid opportunities for CPS staff to support contact tracing and to engage families around vaccination and testing consent

Offering KN95 masks for staff and students

- 1.2 million KN95s will be distributed at schools by end of January;

- 4 million expected by close of February

Supplemental investments in HEPA Air Purifiers

School Safety Committees may elect to re-implement *Daily Health Screener* and temp checks for entry

School Safety Committees vote on whether to shift a school to Remote Learning (for 5 days) if specific negotiated "metrics" are met



# Case Reporting & Data Dashboard



***Wrap schools in many layers of protection  
to allow safe in-person learning to happen, because  
learning in-person is an essential way  
to protect and promote child health  
and to advance child health equity***

