

# Update for the Board of Education January 13, 2021

#### Purpose

- Members of the Board of Education cannot speak outside of the Board meeting on topics related to Board/District business
- There was a number of correspondence received by Board Members related to current community COVID-19 metrics
- An update need to be provided to Board Members related to District factors

   Staffing
  - oNumber of students requesting to move from blended to remote instructional model
  - ○Substitute Coverage
  - •Current blended high school schedule
  - Answer questions from the Board of Education



Schools and Programs Currently Open with Students On Campus

- All Elementary Schools (17)
- All Middle Schools (5)
- Century Academy
- Conejo Valley High School
- Post Secondary
- Waverly Program
- BeMe Preschool

- Wonder Preschool
- High School Pilots
- Child Care
- High School Activities
- Middle School Activities
- High School Athletics
- Child Nutrition

#### Slated to return on January 19, 2021

Blended Students on our Three
 Comprehensive High Schools



## By Grade Span - the Number of Students that Switched from **Blended to Remote -** (Data as of 1/12/21)

| Grade Span     | Current Blended<br>Students | Current Remote<br>Students | Total Requests<br>to change prior<br>to 12/18/20 | Requests to<br>change since<br>12/18/20 | Requests for I.S.<br>since 12/18/20 |
|----------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| Elementary     | 4318                        | 2485                       | 161  | 84                                      | 232                                 |
| Middle School  | 2598                        | 1308                       | 97   | 58                                      | N/A                                 |
| High School    | 3981                        | 2539                       | 63   | 954                                     | N/A                                 |
| Ве Ме          | 25                          | 7                          | 0  | 0                                       | 0                                   |
| Post-Secondary | 17                          | 14                         | 2  | 2                                       | 0                                   |

#### Existing Alternative Program Enrollment Data as of 1/12/21:

| Grade Span       | SHINE | Century | CVHS | Independent<br>Study |
|------------------|-------|---------|------|----------------------|
| Elementary       | 393   | N/A     | N/A  | N/A                  |
| Middle<br>School | 42    | 100     | N/A  | 0                    |
| High<br>School   | 15    | 157     | 107  | 23                   |

## Impact on H.S. Master Schedule

#### Master Schedule Impact

- Since January 4th, the vast majority of learning model change requests have been submitted to high schools. This has caused the original planning from November and December to change dramatically.
- Continued work to balance classes, cohorts, Blended and Remote, and reduce 1st semester 811 combo sections.
- Combo classes with site master schedules were reduced and due to the number of student requests to change from Blended to Remote, those combination classes have increased.
  - Current Combo sections (these numbers will increase):
    - 210 (NPHS) 198 (TOHS) 150 (WHS)



#### Impact on Student Schedules

#### Student Impact

- Students and families placed in a difficult situation to either stay in the Blended model or switch to the Remote model
- Period sequence from the first semester may have changed
- Student's assigned teacher may have changed with additional requests
- Student schedules continue to shift as change requests are submitted



## **High School Site Preparations**

Classroom set-up

Campus signage posted

Arrows for directionality

Markers for students waiting in line

CSA coverage in place and meeting/training held

"NEW" CSA Checklist completed CSA meeting/training date

Contingency room (HVAC or other issue)

Classroom safety supplies provided in each classroom

Staff trained in safety protocols

Established & communicated location for teachers during classroom cleaning

Campus checklist completed for all classrooms

Reopening schools - Parent webinar

Final inspection w/Grade Span Director, M&O & Principal

## **Combo Class Pilot - Survey Results**

| 11/2       | Canvas training course shared  |   |  |
|------------|--|---|--|
| 11/9       | 11/9 HS combo teaching pilots begin                                      |   |  |
| 11/9 & 13  | Virtual office hours training offered                                    |   |  |
| 11/30      | Survey sent to 59 participating combo teachers                           |   |  |
| 12/14      | More accessible training resources created and provided to HS Principals | 1 |  |
| 1/5/2021   | All certificated staff provided combo training resources                 |   |  |
| 1/7        | 1/7 Virtual office hours begin weekly                                    |   |  |
| 1/6 - 1/11 | HS training presentation on combo teaching (during staff meetings)       |   |  |

#### Pilot Combo Teacher Survey

- (21 responses)
  - 1. I have adequate technology that enables me to provide combo instruction:
    - Strongly Agree 29%
    - Agree 57%
    - Disagree 14%
    - Strongly Disagree 0%
  - 1. I have adequate instructional knowledge of how to provide combo instruction:
    - Strongly Agree 24%
    - Agree 57%
    - Disagree 19%
    - Strongly Disagree 0%

## **HR Staffing Impact**

- Increase in the number of teachers taking a leave and the number inquiring about a leave. HR Staff have received 11 additional requests for Medical/Personal Leave or extension of Medical/Personal Leave and 13 inquiries since January 4, 2021.
- The number of substitutes required to fill in for teachers on Medical/Personal leave reduces the number of available daily substitutes.
- Number of teachers who will need to quarantine due to testing positive, have symptoms, or because they are considered a close contact. Currently teachers have option of "Zooming" in while a substitute or proctor provides support in classroom.

Availability of substitutes in pool that have an illness, need to quarantine due to COVID-19 exposure, or test positive.



### HR Teacher Leaves as of 1/19/2021

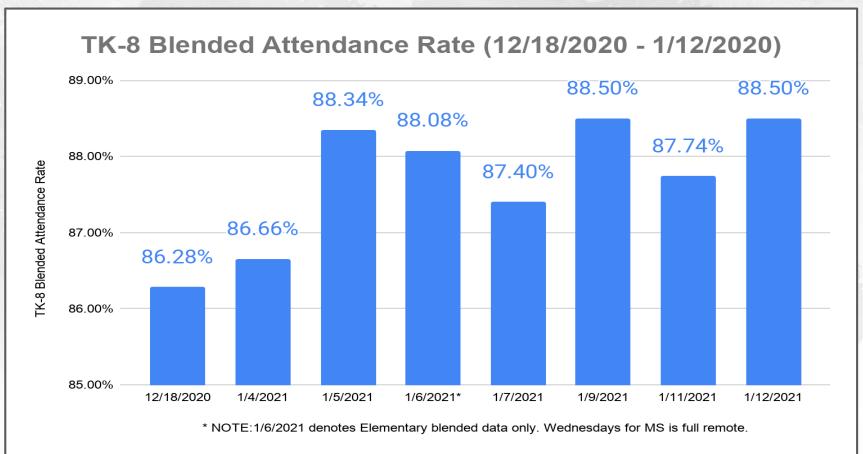
|                      | Elementary | Middle | High |
|----------------------|------------|--------|------|
| Medical              | 7          | 3      | 10   |
| Maternity            | 2          | 1      | 3    |
| Personal             | 8          | 4      | 4    |
| Total                | 17         | 8      | 17   |
| Pending<br>Inquiries | 2          | 0      | 11   |



#### **HR** Teacher Attendance Rates

| Date    | Total # of<br>Requests<br>for<br>Substitutes | # of<br>Teacher(s) -<br>positive<br>Test | # of<br>Teachers-<br>Quarantined | Total<br>Filled | Total<br>Unfilled | Percentage |
|---------|--|--|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------|
| 1/4/21  | 47   | 2  | 12                               | 45              | 2                 | 96%        |
| 1/5/21  | 55   | 2  | 13                               | 52              | 3                 | 95%        |
| 1/6/21  | 39   | 3  | 11                               | 39              | 0                 | 100%       |
| 1/7/21  | 53   | 4  | 12                               | 51.5            | 1.5               | 97%        |
| 1/8/21  | 54   | 4  | 12                               | 51              | 3                 | 94%        |
| 1/11/21 | 44   | 5  | 9                                | 44              | 0                 | 100%       |
| 1/12/21 | 40   | 6  | 10                               | 40              | 0                 | 100%       |
| 1/13/21 | 35   | 6  | 7                                | 35              | 0                 | 100%       |

#### TK - 8th Grade Daily Attendance Rate (Blended)



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#### TK-8th Grade Number of Students Quarantining due to Close Contact and Absent due to Positive COVID Result

| Week ending: | The weeks' average % of<br>Blended Learning students<br><b>quarantined</b> due to close contact<br>with positive case | The weeks' average % of<br>Blended Learning students<br><b>absent</b> due to positive COVID-19<br>test results |
|--------------|---|--|
| Nov 20       | 0.73  | 0.28   |
| Dec 4        | 1.60  | 0.64   |
| Dec 11       | 2.03  | 0.48   |
| Dec 18       | 2.17  | 0.37   |
| Jan 8        | 1.71  | 0.65   |
| Jan 12       | 2.19  | 0.63   |

#### **Targeted Student Groups in Blended Model**

| Total # of students<br>enrolled in<br>Blended Teaching<br>and Learning | ТК-5 | 6-8 | 9-12 | Totals   |
|--|------|-----|------|--|
| Students with an<br>IEP who access a<br>specialized<br>program         | 98   | 47  | 48   | BeMe Preschool: 28<br>Post Secondary: 17<br>Total: 238 |
| English Learners   | 1005 | 266 | 183  | 1454   |
| Unstable Housing   | 45   | 24  | 41   | 110  |

#### Social Emotional and Mental Health

- Red Flag Warnings: 227
- Risk Assessments August-Today: 46
  - Significantly lower than when all students are on campus
  - 2019 August-Jan: 106
- Accessing Mental Health Support Line/Appointment Request: 28



## COVID-19 Testing Procedures

- We have been exploring testing options both on-site and at central locations
  - Challenge: We are a large school district with many sites. Any testing company would need large staff to handle us, or a traveling group of health professionals.
  - There is little to no support from County and State on helping schools with effective and efficient testing
  - Concerns about self testing, using our staff to test, transporting self tests to a lab as "medical supplies"
- CVUSD requested the State Health Agency set up a testing site for CVUSD employees
- We offered Janss Road vacant lot for a "drive-through" testing facility and had several meetings before ultimately receiving approval
- The testing site will be set up for the general public (by appointment) from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and granted CVUSD blocks of time just for employees
- Set up will begin Sunday, January 17, for first round of public testing to begin on January 18, 2021
- Process of testing will need to be discussed with UACT, CSEA, and CVPPA
- Possible schedule: Mon 3-8, Wed 11-4, Thursday 8-12 (subject to change)



#### **Blueprint Metrics Ventura County**

Blueprint Metrics Ventura County\_Week End December 12th

| City/Zip                                     | 7 Day Average Case<br>Rate for Week<br>Ending December 5th<br>w/ Adjustment | 7 Day Average Case Rate<br>for Week<br>Ending December 12th<br>w/ Adjustment | 7 Day Average<br>Positivity Rate for<br>Week Ending<br>December 5th | 7 Day Average<br>Positivity Rate for<br>Week Ending<br>December 12th^ |
|--|---|--|---|---|
| 91307 - Bell Canyon*                         | 3.0   | 3.4  | 100.0%  | 0.0%  |
| 91320 - Thousand Oaks/Newbury Park           | 35.1  | 42.6   | 16.3%   | 11.6%   |
| 91360 - Thousand Oaks                        | 21.5  | 28.1   | 11.2%   | 7.5%  |
| 91361 - Thousand Oaks/Lake Sherwood/Westlake | 12.2  | 8.7  | 12.2%   | 4.7%  |
| 91362 - Thousand Oaks/Westlake               | 21.8  | 19.4   | 14.2%   | 6.4%  |
|  |   |  |   |   |

Blueprint Metrics Ventura County\_Week End December 1900

| City/Zip                                     | 7 Day Average Case<br>Rate for Week<br>Ending December 12th<br>w/ Adjustment | 7 Day Average Case Rate<br>for Week<br>Ending December 19th<br>w/ Adjustment | 7 Day Average<br>Positivity Rate for<br>Week Ending<br>December 12th | 7 Day Average<br>Positivity Rate for<br>Week Ending<br>December 19th |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| 91307 - Bell Canyon                          | 3.4  | 0.0  | 0.0%   | 0.0%   |
| 91320 - Thousand Oaks/Newbury Park           | 42.6   | 29.2   | 11.6%  | 7.4%   |
| 91360 - Thousand Oaks                        | 28.1   | 36.8   | 7.5%   | 8.7%   |
| 91361 - Thousand Oaks/Lake Sherwood/Westlake | 8.7  | 8.0  | 4.7%   | 4.3%   |
| 91362 - Thousand Oaks/Westlake               | 19.4   | 17.0   | 6.4%   | 5.6%   |

### **Blueprint Metrics Ventura County**

Blueprint Metrics Ventura County\_Week End December 26th

| City/Zip                                     | 7 Day Average Case<br>Rate for Week<br>Ending December 19th<br>w/ Adjustment | 7 Day Average Case Rate<br>for Week<br>Ending December 26th<br>w/ Adjustment | 7 Day Average<br>Positivity Rate for<br>Week Ending<br>December 19th | 7 Day Average<br>Positivity Rate for<br>Week Ending<br>December 26th |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| 91307 - Bell Canyon*                         | 0.0  | 14.9   | 0.0%   | 100.0%   |
| 91320 - Thousand Oaks/Newbury Park           | 29.2   | 30.3   | 7.4%   | 6.3%   |
| 91360 - Thousand Oaks                        | 36.8   | 38.6   | 8.7%   | 7.3%   |
| 91361 - Thousand Oaks/Lake Sherwood/Westlake | 8.0  | 19.1   | 4.3%   | 7.5%   |
| 91362 - Thousand Oaks/Westlake               | 17.0   | 21.5   | 5.6%   | 5.4%   |

Blueprint Metrics Ventura County\_Week End January 2nd

| City/Zip                                     |      | 7 Day Average Case Rate<br>for Week Ending January<br>2nd w/ Adjustment |        | 7 Day Average<br>Positivity Rate for<br>Week Ending<br>January 2nd |
|--|------|---|--------|--|
| 91307 - Bell Canyon*                         | 14.9 | 0.0   | 100.0% | 0.0%   |
| 91320 - Thousand Oaks/Newbury Park           | 30.3 | 31.3  | 6.3%   | 8.9%   |
| 91360 - Thousand Oaks                        | 38.6 | 40.1  | 7.3%   | 10.0%  |
| 91361 - Thousand Oaks/Lake Sherwood/Westlake | 19.1 | 14.7  | 7.5%   | 7.9%   |
| 91362 - Thousand Oaks/Westlake               | 21.5 | 23.1  | 5.4%   | 7.9%   |

## Questions Asked to VCPH

#### 1/10/21

- 1. It is my understanding that Moorpark USD is scheduled to open back up their blended/combo TK-12<sup>th</sup> grade instructional program on January 19, 2021, are they still keeping to this timeline?
- 2. Is it anticipated that VCPH will make a similar decision as LACDPH and announce that schools need to close for a period of time?
- 3. Can VCPH make a prediction of when Ventura County will see a significant improvement/drop in our positive COVID-19 cases?
- 4. Is there concern from VCPH with Thousand Oaks being on the border of LA County that we will see an increase in transmission rates for our zip codes?
- 5. Ventura County currently has the highest per capita rate for positive tests within the State-does this information hold true for the Thousand Oaks zip codes?
- 6. If Ventura County has a higher case rate than LA County for new COVID-19 cases per 100,000, why would VCPH not ask schools to shut down like LACDPH did?
- 7. My final question is whether VCPH has a second metrics beyond the Blueprint Metrics 7-day and 14-day Average Positivity Rate that we should consider prior to allowing our students back on campus if we decide to go remote learning only (i.e. recovery rate, virus transmission rate, number of hospitalizations, new case rate, etc.)? Each of your insights and expertise into this question would certainly help.

### Questions Asked to VCPH

#### 1/3/21

I am wondering whether you think CVUSD needs to stop our rollout for opening all of our schools (TK-12) for Blended Instruction and wait until February (TK-2 and most disproportionately impacted only) as noted by the Governor's Plan? Are CVUSD schools currently considered to be in a community of high rate of transmission? If yes, how would you suggest we test our 13,000 students and nearly 2,000 school site employees in our Blended Instructional Program on a weekly basis?

#### 12/17/20

I am wondering if you or any other officials from VCPH are considering giving a directive that all school districts in Ventura County should go strictly remote learning for the first two weeks after the holiday break?

#### Superintendent's Concerns Shared at Last Meeting

- Number of High School Teachers that request a leave of absence
- Large number of teachers out sick, quarantined, or tested positive
- Substitute Issues also sick, quarantined, or tested positive
- No regular testing schedule (resolved)
- Two new variants of the virus that we are hearing about
- Superspreader events within our community
- Local hospitalization rates

#### **Other Concerns**

- High rate of positive COVID-19 tests in Ventura County
- Students that need in-person instruction small cohorts
- Home environments not conducive to a student being home all day
- D/F rate when reviewing semester one periods 1, 2, 3



#### Other Superintendent's Comments Shared at Last Meeting

- Negotiated class size and cohorts student contacts
- Classroom ventilation had a major overhaul
- Ability to order needed technology based on pilot teacher survey information and other feedback
- Structured professional development in a format that can be accessible at any time
- School sites put in protocols/routines -- small group of students on campus
- No large scale outbreaks on campus -- more conversation with VCPH to identify school site spread
- Governor and current executive order encourages schools to open
- Work done by the sites to create a safe environment and adjust master schedules



## **Comprehensive High Schools**

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|--------|--------------|---|---|----|---------|
| Week 1 | Haliday      | 1 | 3 | 2  | 1       |
| 18-Jan | - Holiday    | 2 | 1 | 3  | 2       |
|        |              |   |   |    |         |
| Week 2 | 3            | 2 | 1 | 3  | 2       |
| 25-Jan | 1            | 3 | 2 | 1  | 3       |
|        |              |   |   |    |         |
| Week 3 | 1            | 3 | 2 | 1  | 3       |
| 1-Feb  | 2            | 1 | 3 | 2  | 1       |
|        |              |   |   |    |         |
| Week 4 | 2            | 1 | 3 | 2  | Haliday |
| 8-Feb  | 3            | 2 | 1 | 3  | Holiday |
|        |              |   |   |    |         |
| Week 5 | Haliday      | 1 | 3 | 2  | 1       |
| 15-Feb | - Holiday    | 2 | 1 | 3  | 2       |
|        |              |   |   |    |         |
|        | Remote Only  |   |   |    |         |
|        | PSAT Testing |   |   |    |         |
|        |              |   |   |    |         |



# Thank You

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# Questions