

Gradual Reopening Timeline to In-Person Instruction 2020-21

January 21, 2021

Phases to Gradual Return to In-Person Instruction



Cambrian School District's reopening plan will maintain a degree of fluidity as revised rules and regulations are presented by the California Department of Public Health and the Santa Clara County Public Health Department.

Our commitment is to safely bring students and staff back for in-person instruction to our campuses.

- Completed Phase 1: Schools Reopen in Distance Learning (Preschool 8th Grade)
 - Phased in Approach and Hybrid Schedules (Approved July 14th by the Governing Board)
 - Revised Hybrid Schedules (Approved November 5th by the Governing Board)



In Process - Phase 2: Return to In-Person Instruction Gradual Approach (Hybrid)

- Students will be brought back in grade level clusters to help transition to an in person schedule following the current Santa Clara County Public Health Guidelines, and newly released California Department of Public Health, <u>COVID-19 and Reopening In Person Framework</u> (January 14, 2021)
- Gradual adjusted phased-in approach to return will begin once the county moves into the Red Tier
 - Santa Clara County must be in the Red tier for 5 days prior to reopening (January 14, 2021)
 - Our youngest students (TK-2) will be phased in first. (Approved July 14 & October 15th by the Governing Board)

(CDPH, pg. 12)

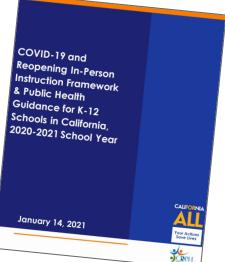
Criteria To Reopen For In-Person Instruction



The Blueprint for a Safer Economy continues to inform the school reopening process. The Blueprint for a Safer Economy is based on Tiers, defined using the 7-day average of daily Covid-19 cases per 100,00 population, and the test positivity in a county.

Under the updated guidance, all schools must:

- Complete and post the COVID Safety Plan that consists of two parts:
 - Cal/OSHA COVID-19 Prevention Program (CPP)
 - COVID-19 School Guidance Checklist
- COVID Safety Plan must be publicly posted on the website homepage at least
 5 days prior to providing in-person instruction



(CDPH, pgs. 7-9)

Public Health Guidance for Reopening K-12 Schools



Updated guidance outlines specific actions, or core mitigation strategies school sites should take to keep students and staff safe. Updates will be included in the Cambrian Covid Safety Plan.



Testing Strategy Approach Recommendations



Cambrian is currently providing COVID testing for all staff on a monthly basis

- The COVID Safety Plan <u>recommends</u> testing of staff and students, every 2 weeks for counties in the RED tier and adjusts the recommendations for each tier.
- Districts which apply for the NEW Reopening of Schools In-Person Grant, are required to implement the COVID Safety Plan and testing for all students and staff. (More information regarding the grant requirements will be presented in the Chief Financial Officer's Governor Proposal Update)
- Cal/OSHA requires districts to perform response testing for exposed cases and outbreak testing for everyone weekly until there is no longer considered in outbreak



(CDPH, pg. 39)

Next Steps



- Continue with COVID testing for all staff monthly
- Confer with union leadership regarding the new California Department of Public Health guidelines and requirements
- Complete and post COVID Safety Plan checklist and Cal/OSHA
- Explore partnering with the statewide lab, Valencia Branch, for Covid testing
- School sites will inform families of their designated days to be on campus for in-person learning when we return to a hybrid model (January 21st)
- Notify families of the timeline for returning, once we reach the Red Tier

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our students and staff.

We are eager to welcome our students back to their classrooms.

References



- <u>COVID-19 and Reopening In-Person Instruction Framework Guidance</u> (January 14, 2021)
- Blueprint for a Safer Economy
- State of California Safe Schools For All Hub
- Guidance Related to Cohorts for Children and Youth (September 4, 2020)
- <u>California Department of Public Health</u> (Website)
- Santa Clara County Department of Public Health (Website)

