Renegade Roundup

COVID advisory. Starting week 11 of Spring 2021

Dear Colleagues:

Happy Easter!

Thank you for keeping up with our weekly COVID-19 advisory Roundups.

All-Campus Virtual Seminars

Our next President's All-Campus Seminar is on Tuesday, April 6 at 4 p.m. featuring an update from the *Physical Campus Reopening Instructional Workgroup* - we will hear from Rich McCrow, Joe Saldivar, Rony Recinos and Jordan Rude.





April 4, 2021

On Thursday, April 8 at 4 p.m., we will have an update from the *Physical Campus Reopening Student Workgroup*. To participate in all of our webinars, <u>visit the registration</u> <u>link</u> and select the webinar you would like to attend.

Vaccines Now Available for Majority of Kern County Residents Based on Zip Code



Starting last week, everyone in Kern County over the age of 16 in all but six area codes are eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. When Governor Newsom expanded vaccine access to all ZIP codes in the bottom two quartiles of the state's <u>Healthy Places Index</u>, it opened up access to all adult Kern residents except those living in the following zip codes: 93311, 93314, 93531, 93561, and 93287. <u>Emma Gallegos' article in the Bakersfield Californian</u> goes into more detail about the vaccine criteria in Kern County.

[UPDATED 4/5/21: Kern County Public Health announced that all Kern County residents 16 and older are now eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine regardless of area code.]

California to Allow Indoor Live Events with Limitations

Starting April 15, counties in the red tier and below will be allowed to host indoor events with reduced capacity, <u>according to the LA Times</u>. The new guidelines require that tickets be purchased in advance, organizers establish designated areas for eating and

drinking, and attendance be limited to California residents only. For venues with a capacity of up to 1,500 people, only 10 percent attendance or 100 people will be allowed in the red tier, which could increase to 25 percent if all guests are tested for coronavirus or provide proof of vaccination. Testing or proof of vaccination will be required for all venues with a capacity greater than 1,500 people.

Additionally, private outdoor gatherings of up to 25 people will be allowed in the red tier starting April 15, while outdoor gatherings will be limited to three households in the purple tier.

US Hits Record 4 Million Vaccine Doses Administered in One Day

On Saturday, April 3, the CDC announced that 4 million doses of the coronavirus were administered in the US in a 24-hour period, <u>according to CNN</u>. More than 165 million doses have been administered in the US as of April 4, and the seven-day average for vaccines administered nationwide is about 3 million per week.

Data Corner

Vaccine Tracker

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has <u>a vaccination dashboard</u> that tracks the number of COVID-19 vaccines administered and delivered across the United States. The California Department of Public Health has <u>a dashboard tracking vaccinations in the</u> <u>state overall</u> and by county.

	US	California	Kern County
Doses Administered	165,053,746	19,717,651	313,920
Doses Delivered	207,897,295	24,530,300	N/A

Blueprint for a Safer Economy

<u>The State of California's Blueprint For a Safer Economy dashboard</u> shows where each county in California ranks in the four-tiered color system for reopening. A table with the comparison of test positivity rates from several counties on the monitoring list is below.

	March 28, 2021		April 4, 2021*	
	New cases per 100k	Test positivity rate	New cases per 100k	Test positivity rate
California	5.5	2.0%	4.8	1.8%
Kern County	5.5	2.8%	5.0**	2.6%**
Kings County	12.0	3.4%	9.4	3.3%
Fresno County	9.4	4.5%	8.2	3.8%
San Bernardino	4.0	2.3%	3.8	2.1%
LA County	4.8	1.8%	3.8	1.5%

*Dashboard data updated on March 23.

**Kern County is in the red or "substantial" tier

Johns Hopkins Dashboard

The <u>Johns Hopkins University Dashboard</u> shows more than 131 million confirmed cases of COVID-19 worldwide since the start of the pandemic. Here is the table that captures the difference in the numbers since March 28.

	March 28, 2021	April 4, 2021	Difference	Percentage
World	126,927,603	131,142,993	4,215,390	3.3%
U.S.	30,237,545	30,705,526	467,981	1.5%
California	3,559,193	3,580,351	21,158	0.6%
Kern	105,994	106,460	466	0.4%

Stay safe, stay healthy, wear a mask, keep the 6 ft distance separation, and wash your hands to keep everyone healthy.

That's all for now. Until next time.

With much Renegade Pride and Collegiality, sonya

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