

Spring Update

VPS & CCPH COVID Case Updates

VEA will continue to provide updates to members to include VPS cases as well as the weekly case count for Clark County. VPS is also providing public access to a [VPS COVID-19 Data Dashboard](#). We encourage members to share these details to support full communication and transparency.

Since February 1, 2021, VPS has reported:

NEW! Thursday, 3/18:

- positive case at Ogden ES, close contacts with students, transmission location not school-based

Tuesday, 3/16:

- positive case at iTech Prep, no close contacts, transmission location not school-based

Monday, 3/15:

- positive case at Lake Shore ES, no close contacts, transmission location not school-based

Friday, 3/12:

- positive case at Fort Vancouver HS, close contacts with staff, transmission location not school-based
- positive case at Columbia River HS, close contacts with staff and students, transmission location not school-based

Thursday, 3/11:

- Positive case at Discovery MS, close contacts

Tuesday, 3/9:

- positive case at Jefferson MS, no close contacts, transmission location not school-based

Wednesday, 3/4:

- positive case at Gaiser MS, no close contacts, transmission location not school-based
- presumed positive case at Lake Shore ES, close contacts with staff and a student, transmission location not school-based

Friday, 2/26:

- positive case at Marshall ES, close contacts

Saturday, 2/20:

- positive case at Marshall ES, close contacts with staff and students, transmission location not school-based

Wednesday, 2/10:

- positive case at Jefferson MS, close contacts, transmission location not school-based

Tuesday, 2/9:

- [King confirmed an "outbreak site," elaborated in this message](#)

Friday, 2/5:

- positive student case at Chinook ES, no close contacts, school-based transmission; [Chinook confirmed an "outbreak site," elaborated in this message](#)
- positive case at Gaiser MS, no close contacts, transmission location not school-based

Monday, 2/1:

- positive case at Discovery MS, close contacts

Since February 1, 2021, CCPH has reported:

Mar 15: 88.8 cases per 100,000
 Mar 9: 103.4 cases per 100,000
 Mar 2: 105.4 cases per 100,000
 Feb 23: 137.0 cases per 100,000
 Feb 16: 209.8 cases per 100,000
 Feb 9: 262.2 cases per 100,000
 Feb 2: 310.54 cases per 100,000

School Board Study Session: Tomorrow, 3/23 @ 5 PM

Please join us for tomorrow's VPS School Board Study Session, beginning at 5 PM via Zoom Webinar. Requests to make Zoom public comments can be submitted to VPSBoard.Directors@vansd.org by noon on March 23, 2021. Citizens wishing to address the Board must submit their full name and address for the record. Those signed up will have three minutes to address the Board. Citizen comments must pertain to agenda items.

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://vansd.zoom.us/j/85760288896>

Member Input Requested!

VEA's Executive Director and Chief Administrative Officer, Rick Wilson, is retiring in October. The VEA Search and Hire Commission is currently seeking applicants and is asking for membership input as the process unfolds. Please answer three questions [via this survey link](#) by 5 pm on Wednesday, 3/24.

#VEAStrong #MembershipMatters

Represent VEA on the WEA Board!

Are you interested in representing VEA at the state level? VEA has a current WEA Board Director position opening for the remainder of the term ending July 2022 and we encourage interested members to apply – all VEA leaders: past, present, and emerging, are welcome!

Please complete and submit [an application](#) to cbrown@washingtonea.org no later than 5PM on Thursday, 4/1 to be considered. This vacancy will be appointed by the VEA President and moved for approval by the VEA Representative Council at the April 19th meeting.

The duty of the WEA Board is to carry out the program and policies set at the annual WEA Representative Assembly and to exercise the general authority of the Representative Assembly between its annual meetings.

VEA is grateful to Mona Rominger who has served as one of two VEA Representatives to the WEA Board Directors for the past several years! Kari Van Nostran, VEA President will continue as the other VEA Representative to the WEA Board.

REMINDER: VPS Culture and Climate Survey

VEA encourages all members to respond to this year's [VPS Culture and Climate Survey](#) in advance of the April 11th deadline at 5 PM.

This year's survey asks questions related to topics similar to those included in previous years (eg. academic preparation, student support, family engagement, safety, accessibility of school leaders, etc.). It also includes questions designed to help guide the equity work currently underway. VEA and VPS encourage members to share thorough and candid responses as your identity and responses will be kept confidential. All survey responses will be used to inform school and district improvement initiatives.

Please direct any questions you may have to surveys@vansd.org. Thank you for making your voice heard!