

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:

- 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:

NEW! Mar 23: 90.5 cases per 100,000

- 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

Special School Board Meeting: TODAY @ 6 PM!

Please join us again TODAY @ 6 PM for a Special Board Meeting via Zoom Webinar. No public comment will be heard as the primary focus of the meeting is on **the three finalists considered for appointment to the School Board**. Michael Sanchez, Trevor Hayward, and Sandra Zavala-Ortega will participate in live interviews via Zoom, then the Board will recess to Executive Sessions to discuss the three candidates, with possible action to follow!

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://vansd.zoom.us/j/89658956052>

LAST CALL - 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 TODAY/Wednesday, 3/24**.

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WEA Inclusive Practices PD Offerings: April-June 2021 via Zoom

Check out [this flyer](#) to learn more about (and register for) repeat and new PD offerings from WEA's work from the Inclusionary Practices Project & Special Education Support Center, including topics such as:

- Universal Design
- Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports
- Co-Teaching for Inclusion
- Behavior Interventions
- Coaching & Mentoring Inclusive Practices
- And more!

In addition, see [this flyer](#) to learn more about (and register for any of) four self-directed Canvas courses that remain available to help members address the 15 STEM clock-hour requirement for recertification, including:

- STEMizing Your instruction
- STEM for Secondary Educators
- STEM Integration and Inclusionary Practices
- STEM Integration for K-6 Educators

NEA Member Benefits

Take full advantage of the full range of benefits that come with VEA/WEA/NEA membership! You can sign in to your [NEA Member Benefits account](#) to explore opportunities for discounts as well as [cash back on purchases](#) you're already making or intend to make. You can also learn more about how NEA Member Benefits can support your options for [student loan forgiveness and refinancing](#) as well. Finally, as you consider your COVID-friendly options for spring or even summer break, learn more about [NEA Travel Dollars](#) you may be eligible for, along with several other travel discount options.

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