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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Promoting and protecting health, well-being, self-sufficiency, and safety of all in Marin County.

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Marin County COVID Update | End of School Events
COVID-19 COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION IN MARIN COUNTY IS [HIGH](#)

Dear Marin County school community:

Marin County Public Health is monitoring a significant increase in school-related COVID-19 cases, including multiple outbreaks related to post-Spring Break exposures and attendance at indoor events and gatherings without masks.

End-of-year school events and gatherings, including proms and graduation ceremonies, are significant and important life events for students and their families and friends. But attending a large event or gathering (> 50 persons), especially indoors and unmasked, increases the risk of COVID-19 exposure. When COVID-19 community transmission levels are high, there is a 50% chance that at least 1 COVID-19 positive individual will be present at the event.

Marin County Public Health recommends the following personal protective measures to decrease the risk of COVID-19 exposure and outbreaks.

- Students and staff should complete a same-day, rapid antigen COVID-19 test prior to attending a large indoor event or gathering. If they test positive (regardless of symptoms), they should stay home and [isolate](#).
- Students and staff who attend a large indoor event or gathering should monitor for symptoms and test for COVID-19 5 days after the event or sooner if they develop symptoms.
 - They should limit their contact with and wear a mask around persons who are immunocompromised or at high risk for severe illness until they test negative 5 days after attending the event.
- All eligible students and staff should get vaccinated and boosted (if eligible) before attending a higher risk event or gathering.
 - Parents / guardians should consider getting a [2nd booster](#) for adolescents 12 years and older who are [moderately or severely immunocompromised](#).
 - Household members who are over 50 years old and [immunocompromised](#) or at [high risk for severe illness](#) should get a [2nd booster](#).

Additionally, Marin County Public Health advises schools and event organizers that are hosting large indoor events and gatherings (> 50 persons) to consider:

- Requiring proof of a negative same-day antigen test to attend
- Requiring vaccine verification to attend
- Requiring masks indoors

Thank you for your ongoing support in creating safer environments where students thrive.

Sincerely,

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