# COVID-19 schools update 2022.3.15



# **AGENDA:**

What's New - Updates

- Personnel changes
- County testing sites

What's Happening - Overview of School Data

What's Trending - Q&A

- Future Meeting Schedule
- Mental Health Services Resources



# Point of Contact Updates

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# **PCPHSD COVID Testing Sites**

# PCR locations - Final date April 2nd

- Florence
- Casa Grande
- Kearny
- Saddlebrook
- Eloy

# At-Home COVID Test Distribution

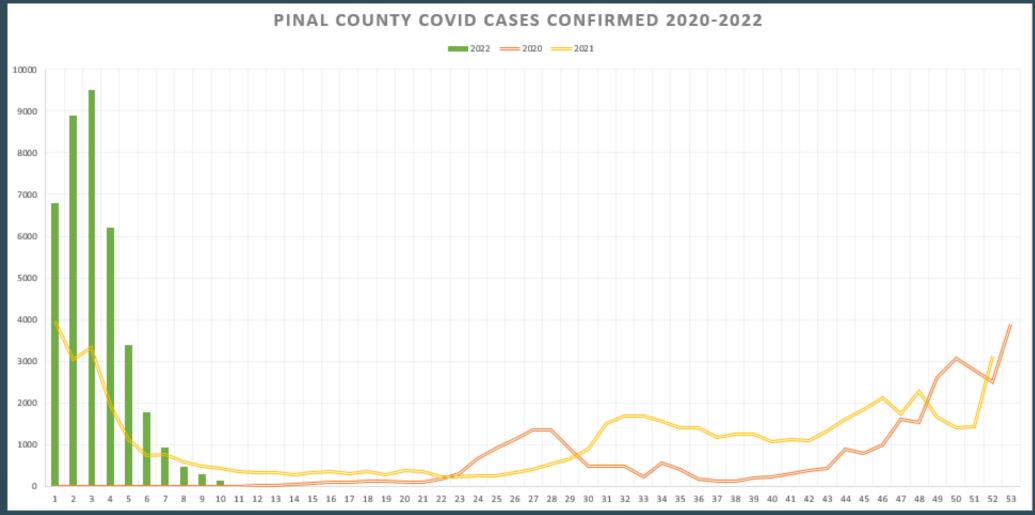
- Florence Library
- Coolidge library
- Eloy library

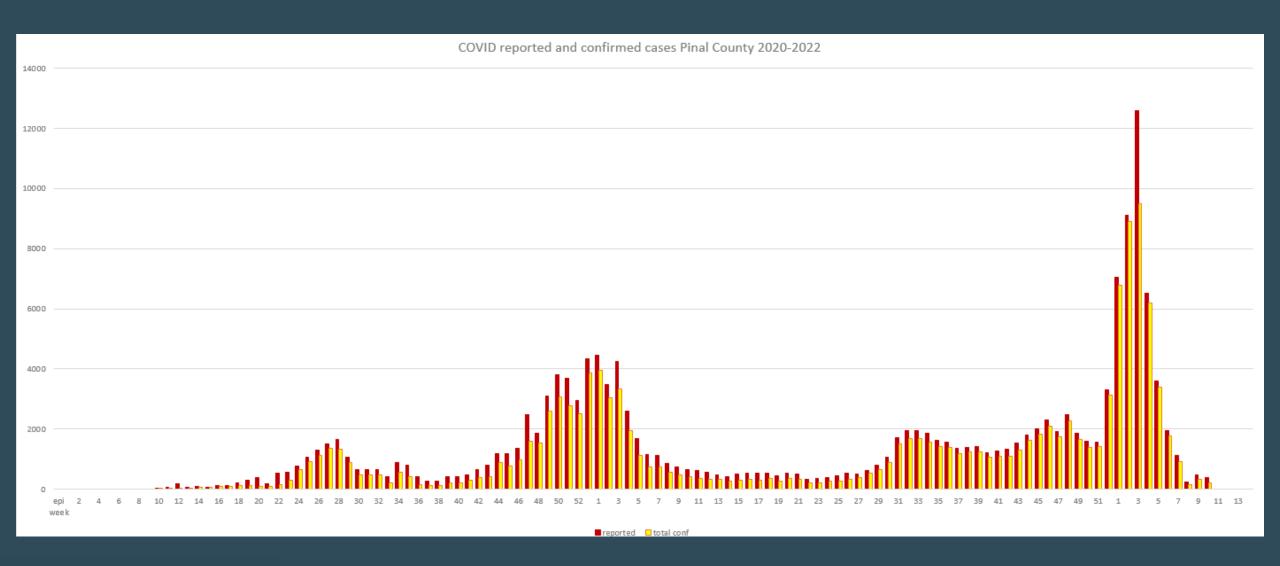
# covidtests.gov (1-800-232-0233)

- 2nd set of kits now available per household
- 2 sets of 4 free at-home tests



# What's Happening up to 03/12/2022





# 2022 COVID cases activity report, week 10

Including cases from Sunday 3/06/2022to Saturday 3/12/2022

# CONFIRMED COVID CASES YEAR TO DATE

38,360

Confirmed cases for year 2022

58,565

Confirmed cases for year 2021

## CONFIRMED COVID DEATHS YEAR TO DATE

203

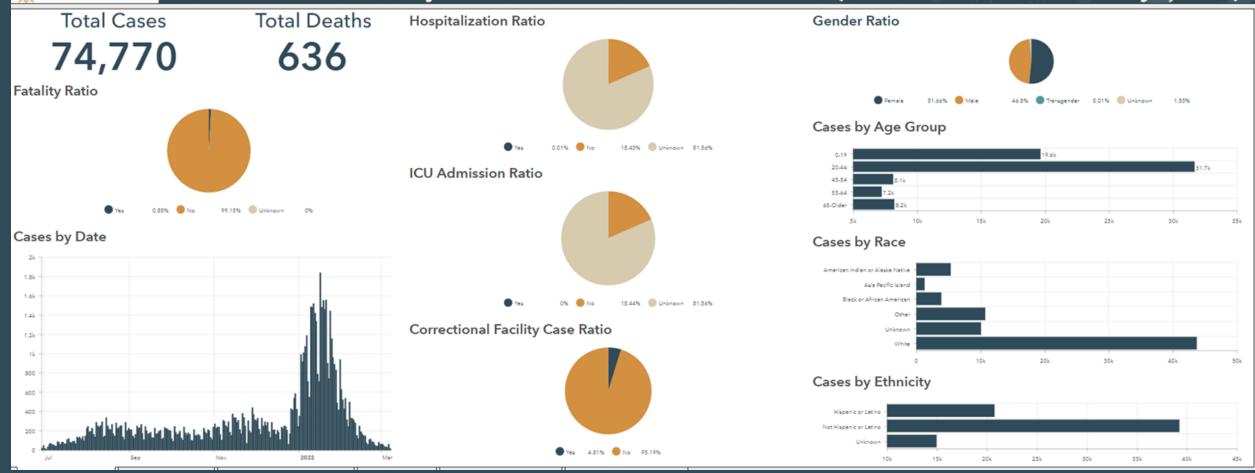
Deaths confirmed for year 2022

911

Deaths confirmed for year 2021



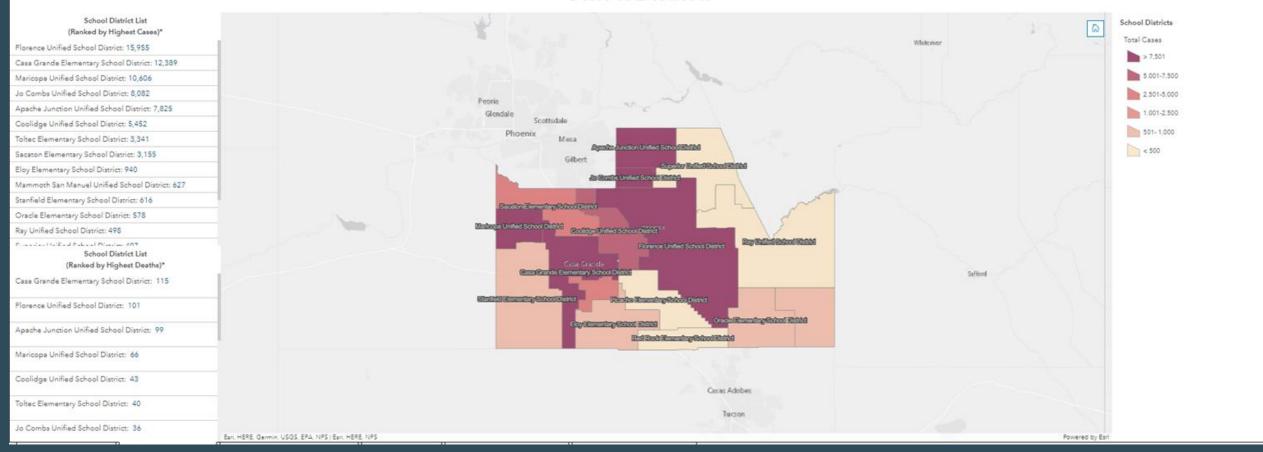






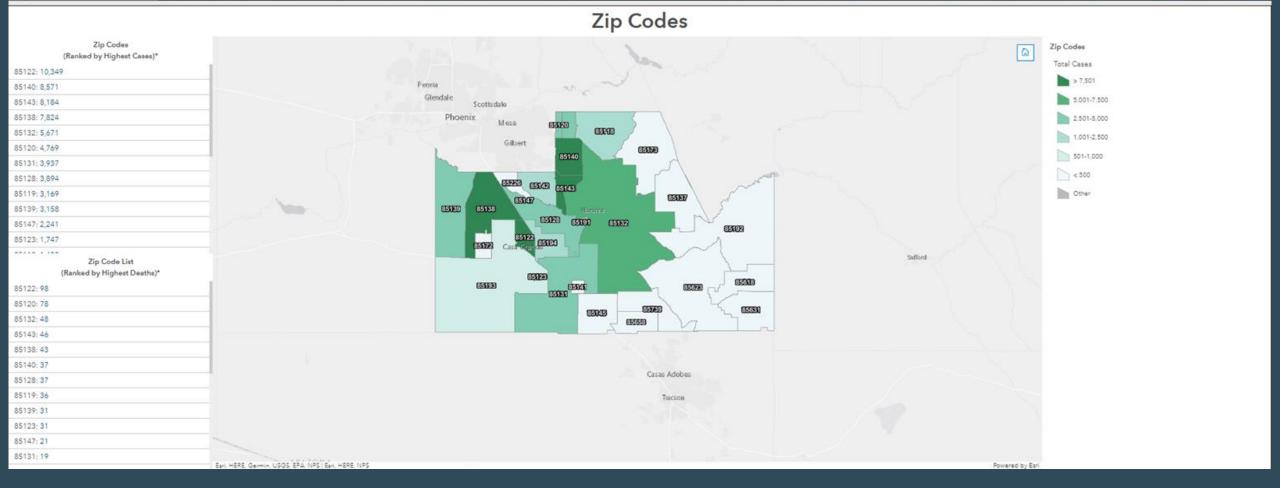


## **School Districts**



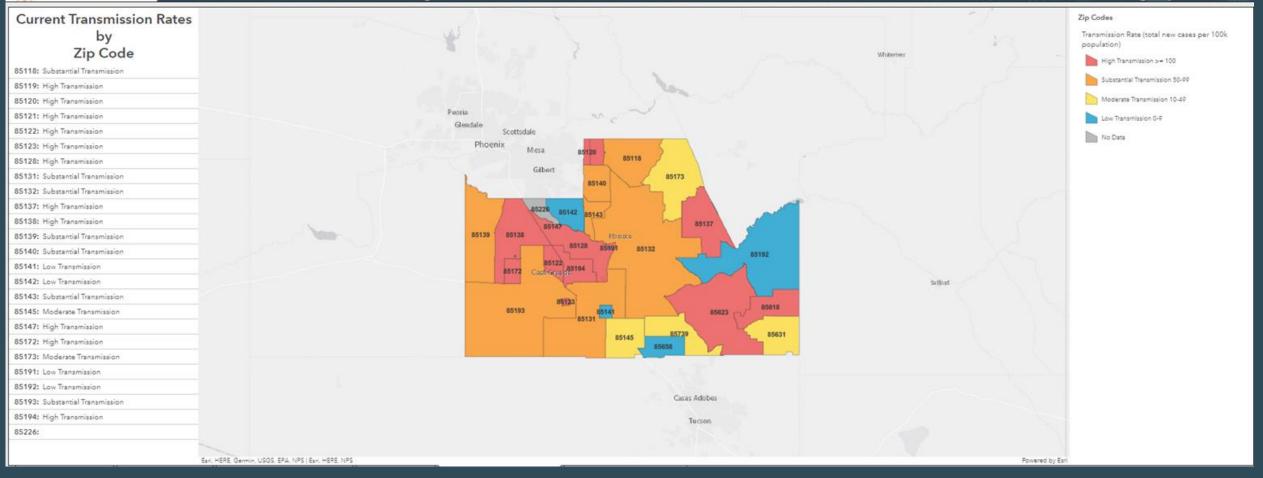






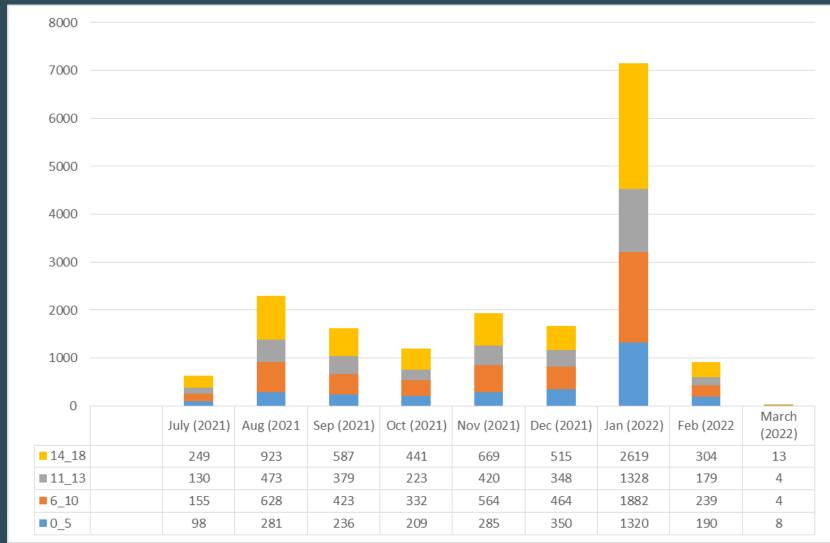






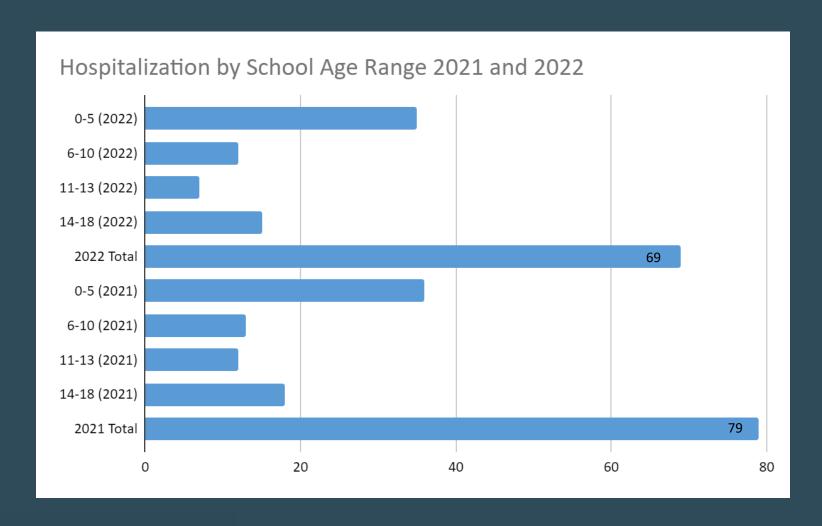


# School Age Cases by Month - July 1st 2021 Through Present





# Hospitalizations by School Age Ranges - 2021 and 2022





# What's Trending?

- New CDC guidance on prioritizing case investigation and contact tracing; emphasis on personal risk assessment for the public and local stakeholders
- "Universal case investigation and contact tracing are not recommended for COVID-19"
  - Secure links will no longer be sent for reporting every case of COVID-19 in schools
  - Outbreaks of infectious disease including COVID, chicken pox, stomach illness, etc. should still be reported to local public health
  - Schools can still reach out to local public health for guidance and questions
- Full explanation of changes and rationale can be found here:
- o https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/contact-tracing/contact-

## Steps for Determining Close Contact and Quarantine in K-12 Schools



Students in INDOOR CLASSROOMS and STRUCTURED OUTDOOR SETTINGS

If yes to all of the below, the student is a close contact, regardless of proper mask use. If no to any, move to the next column.

#### LESS THAN 3 FEET

Was the student within 3 feet of another student with COVID-19?

Has the student been within 3 feet of a student with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period?

If the answers to the questions above are both yes, the student is a close contact, regardless of whether the person was wearing a mask properly. If yes to **all of the below**, the student is a close contact. If no to any, then the student is not a close contact.

#### WITHIN 3-6 FEET

Was the student within 3 to 6 feet of another student with COVID-19?



#### **LESS THAN 6 FEET**

is not a close contact.

Was the student or adult within 6 feet of someone with COVID-19?

Students in NON-CLASSROOM SETTINGS and

If yes to all of the below, the person is a close contact,

regardless of proper mask use. If no to any, the person

adults in ALL SCHOOL SETTINGS

Has the student been within 3-6 feet of a student with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period?



Has the person been within 6 feet of a person with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period?

Were either of the two students wearing masks inconsistently, incorrectly, or not at all?



If the answers to the questions above are both yes, the person is a close contact, regardless of whether the person was wearing a mask properly.



## QUICK GUIDE: ISOLATION | COVID-19 |

What to do when a child in your early care and education (ECE) program might have COVID-19

DAY 0

Child is sick or has a positive COVID-19 test

### **Isolation**

DAY 1-5

DAY

DAY

6-10

Child stays home and isolates away from other people to the extent possible.

Is the child fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication?



is the child free of symptoms or symptoms improved?

#### AND

is the child 2 years of age or older and able to consistently wear a mask in the ECE program?



It is safest to continue isolation until the end of day 101.

For children who have symptoms, continue isolation until the child is fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and other symptoms have improved.

For children who were severely ill, or whose fever persists past day 10, consult a healthcare professional before returning to the ECE program.



✓ YES





## Return to the ECE program

Whenever possible, keep children who are returning from isolation or quarantine before day 11 away from people who are at high risk, and 6 feet apart when masks are not worn.

#### For program administrators:

When you determine isolation policies, you should consider multiple factors: The impact of the loss of access to education and care on the well-being of children and families, the level of community transmission of COVID-19. presence of other people who are at high risk for severe illness, and the ability to use additional prevention strategies.

cdc.gov/coronavirus

Accessible version: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/sick-at-child-care-flowchart.html

## QUICK GUIDE: QUARANTINE | COVID-19 |

What to do when a child in your early care and education program (ECE) might have been exposed to COVID-19

#### DAY 0

Child has been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19



Did the child have confirmed COVID-19 within the last 90 days AND is the child without symptoms?

YES



Is the child up to date with COVID-19 vaccines?



Quarantine

DAY

1–5





Child stays home and quarantines away from other people to the extent possible. Monitor for symptoms.



## Return to the **ECE** program

Whenever possible, keep children who are returning from isolation or quarantine before day 11 away from people who are at high risk, and 6 feet apart when masks are not worn.

isolate immediately. Consult a healthcare profes-

sional for testing recommendations.

NOTE: If child has or develops symptoms at any point during their quarantine period, they should



Is the child 2 years of age or older and able to consistently wear a mask in the ECE program?





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# Future Meeting Schedule

- Pause until needed
- Contact <a href="mailto:IDES@pinal.gov">IDES@pinal.gov</a>, Joel, or Jan for questions or concerns







End of presentation. Thank you for listening..!!

