

# VOL. 1 | JANUARY 2021

# IN THE LOOP

Updates for the families of UCR Early Childhood Services  
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## IMPORTANT DATES:

- February 15, 2021 : President's Day Center Closed
- February 24, 2021: Kindergarten Parent Information Night
- March 26, 2021: Cesar Chavez Day Center Closed
- May 3 - 7, 2021: Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 28, 2021: In-Service Teacher Training Center Closed
- May 31, 2021: Memorial Day Center Closed
- June 11, 2021: Kindergarten Promotion

## Director's Note

Over the past few weeks, COVID-19 has surged in California, and the regions stay at home order remains in effect for the Southern California Region. Public health officials expect January and February to be particularly dangerous times following the holiday period. In Riverside County, hospitals are at capacity and formal orders are in place, with several jurisdictions requiring a 10-day quarantine following travel.

In light of this increased risk, we are encouraging all parents to consider regular, weekly surveillance testing. Testing resources may include: personal healthcare providers, Student Health Center, community testing sites: <https://gettested.ruhealth.org/>.

Individuals who need assistance finding a medical provider, can contact RUHS Community Health Center <http://www.ruhealth.org/en-us/community-health-centers>.

## Surveillance Testing

We are excited to announce that all ECS staff working in-person have access to weekly surveillance testing on-site for the last three weeks upon return from winter break. These voluntary testing capabilities provide rapid results and add to our ongoing efforts and protocols to mitigate COVID-19 exposures.



## COVID-19 Case Updates

It takes efforts by the entire community to reduce the spread of COVID-19. It is critical that families experiencing symptoms or have been exposed to COVID-19 not come to the center. Knowingly doing so puts other children, families, and staff at risk for infection, and it may ultimately result in the facility having to close.

## COVID-19 Case Count

As of 1/21/21	Positive Cases Cumulative	Active Cases
Staff	2	0
Children	3	2

At ECS we are taking this health crisis seriously and need the support of our families to mitigate potential risks of exposure. It is also important for our families to understand that a child can develop symptoms during the course of the day, even if they did not have symptoms when they were dropped off.

Any decision about closing or re-opening the center due to COVID-19 is made in coordination with our local health department and campus leadership.

## COVID-19 Vaccine

The campus has received 400 vaccines this week in addition to the 100 vaccines received a few weeks earlier. Once UCR has vaccinated those listed in Phase 1a, they will move on to phase 1b, which includes essential childcare workers. For more vaccine information visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/vaccines/>.

## Communicating COVID-19 Related Incidents

Communication is critical during this challenging time. As we all work to balance family and work life we understand that things may take place outside of business hours. After operating hours (M-F 8:30a - 4:30p) urgent matters should be communicated via the MomentPath Application. It is important that we protect the confidentiality of health information by not identifying the individual to anyone other than the Regional Office, the local health department, and other governmental agencies as required. COVID-19 related concerns should only be shared with the Director and/or supervisors.

<b>HOW TO REPORT COVID-19 INCIDENTS</b>	
During Operating Hours M-F 8:30a-4:30p	<b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:Davina.bailey@ucr.edu">Davina.bailey@ucr.edu</a> <a href="mailto:Kimberly.pixley@ucr.edu">Kimberly.pixley@ucr.edu</a> <a href="mailto:Bonnie.bacon@ucr.edu">Bonnie.bacon@ucr.edu</a>
After Operating Hours/ Weekends/ Holidays	<b>Direct Message Via MomentPath:</b> Davina Bailey