COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing Requirements for ACPS Staff

Superintendent's Recommendation

Special Called School Board Meeting
August 19, 2021





Alexandria COVID-19 Transmission

New cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days

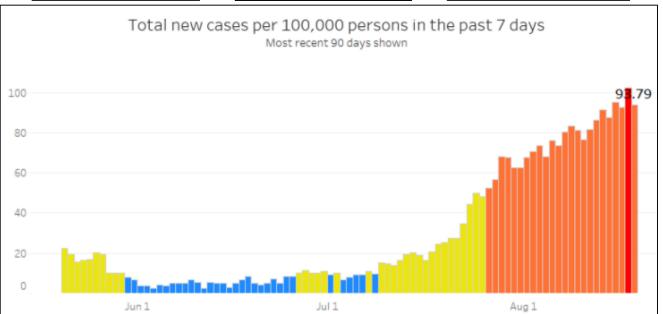
93.79

Substantial Transmission

7-Day Moving Average Positive PCR Tests

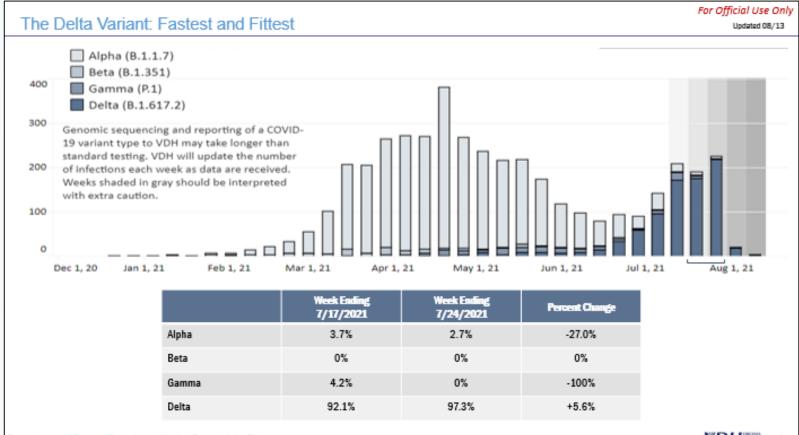
4.4%







Virginia COVID-19 Variants





Sources: Variants of Concern - Coronavirus (virginia.gov), Data updated on Fridays



How does ACPS respond to this health situation?

- ACPS will <u>require</u> weekly COVID-19 testing of employees who are not fully-vaccinated or who have not disclosed their vaccination status.
- Continue coordinating with the City of Alexandria and the Alexandria Health Department to provide vaccinations and COVID-19 testing.



Timeline of Implementation

- 1. Mandatory ALL Staff Vaccination Survey, August 20-23
- 2. Employees upload copy of vaccination card no later than September 7
- 3. Health-monitor training, September 13-15
- 4. Final draft of administrative procedures, September 17
- 5. Required Weekly COVID-19 testing for non-vaccinated staff begins on September 20 (each Monday)
 - On-site, Rapid-test kit by third-party provider
 - If positive, PCR test for confirmation
 - Make-up testing on Tuesdays for those absent on Mondays



Communications Plan to Inform Employees

- Superintendent video message to staff, August 18
- Public Board Meeting, August 19
- Joint press release by ACPS and City, August 19
- Information to be published in ACPS Insider and ACPS Express on August 20
- FAQ webpage to be updated on August 20
- Staff Webinars on vaccination documentation and COVID-19 testing protocols during the week of August 23 and August 30



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All ACPS staff will be required to participate in weekly COVID-19 testing or voluntarily report their fully-vaccinated status.



Questions and Answers

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