

The logo for Cal Poly Pomona, featuring the text "CalPoly" in blue and "Pomona" in green, positioned to the left of a large, colorful, abstract geometric shape. This shape is composed of several overlapping triangles in shades of blue, green, and yellow, pointing towards the right.

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Safer Return Update

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Situational Awareness

County	7/2020		1/2021		7/23/2021		8/4/2021		
	New COVID cases per day per 100k	Positivity Rate	New COVID cases per day per 100k	Positivity Rate	New COVID cases per day per 100k	Positivity Rate	New COVID cases per day per 100k	Positivity Rate	% of Population Fully Vaccinated
Los Angeles	88 (Actual)	9.5%	65.8* (107.9)	17.8%	12.9	5.1%	20.7	6.6%	63%
Orange	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	6.6	5.5%	14.1	8.2%	53%
San Bernardino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	8.9	6.3%	17.2	9.0%	48.6%
Statewide	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9.5	5.2%	18.3	7.0%	63%

* Adjusted: 7-day average of daily COVID-19 cases per 100K with 7-day lag, adjusted for number of tests perform.

Points of Note:

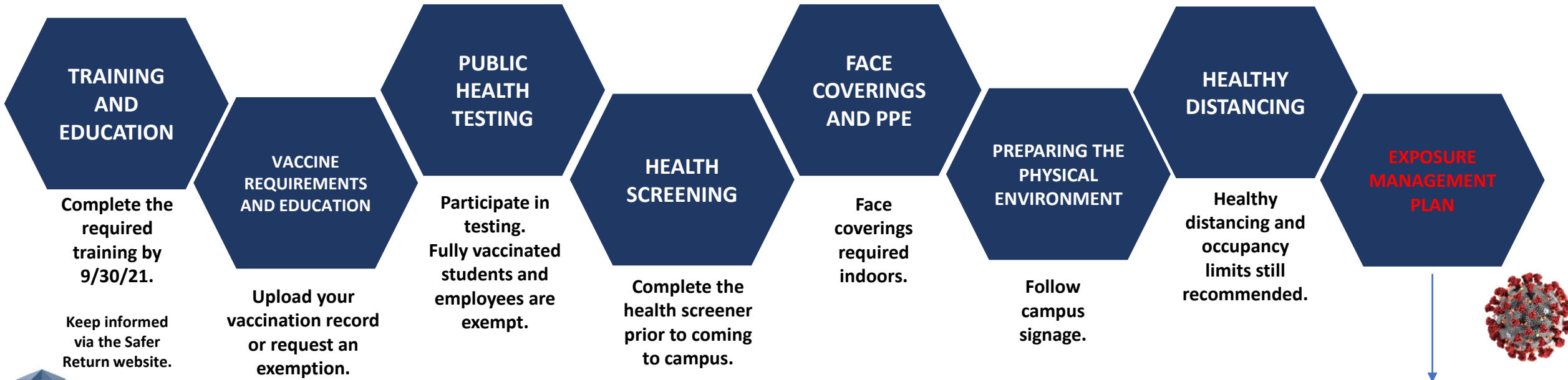
- Los Angeles County is experiencing a rapid increase in COVID-19 cases. In just the past 4 weeks, **cases have increased twenty-fold**, from just 124 cases on June 21 to an average of more than 3,000 cases last week.
- The **test positivity rate has also skyrocketed, from 0.7% a little more than a month ago to 6.2% this week**. Sadly, the number of people hospitalized from COVID-19 has also increased, reaching more than 1,000 people hospitalized with COVID-19 this past weekend. This is a nearly four-fold increase in one month, as there were only 280 people hospitalized with COVID-19 illness on July 2nd.
- The Delta variant is currently the dominate strain in Los Angeles County, representing 96% of the specimens collected for sequencing between July 18th and 24th. This is consistent with the rise of Delta nationwide, as just two weeks ago, the **CDC estimated that Delta strains accounted for 83% of COVID-19 cases**.
- While emerging data shows that fully vaccinated people are well protected from severe infections with Delta variants, people with only one vaccine are not as well-protected, and there is increased evidence that a small number of fully vaccinated individuals can become infected and are able to infect others. In Los Angeles County, **more than 90% of those recently hospitalized with COVID were unvaccinated, and 99% of those who have tragically died from COVID since January were unvaccinated**.

Safer Return COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan

The University's Safer Return COVID-19 Safety and Health Risk Mitigation plan reflects a multipronged approach reflecting three categories of risk mitigation:

- **Personal measures** – individual behaviors to protect ourselves and those around us
- **Administrative measures** - processes and policies that keep people safe
- **Engineering measures** - physical measures put in place to help keep our campus safe

The **eight-pronged** approach reflects *evolving* public health orders and state requirements, best practices and scientific recommendations, and local conditions. Each mitigation together serves as multiple layers to improve our ability to keep our campus and communities safe. *The plan helps assure a safer return to campus requiring individual actions and shared responsibilities.*



Checklist for Fall 2021

- ❑ **Students and employees must complete the required training before coming to campus.** Safer Return Fall 2021 Health and Safety Training will be released week of August 9. Students and employees must complete the *updated* training by September 30, 2021.
- ❑ **Students and employees accessing campus/programs must participate in weekly public health testing beginning on August 16.** Fully vaccinated students and employees will be exempt.
- ❑ **The CSU will require students and employees accessing campus/programs to provide their vaccination record or request a medical or religious exemption by September 30, 2021.** Students and employees who are not fully vaccinated will be required to continue to participate in the weekly public health testing program.
- ❑ **Complete the Health Screener prior to coming to campus.** Students living on campus must complete the Health Screener *daily*.
- ❑ **Everyone must wear a face covering indoors regardless of vaccination status.** PPE, including face coverings and hand sanitizer, are available on campus.
- ❑ **Practice healthy distancing and follow recommendations for occupancy limits and traffic flow.**
- ❑ **Follow [campus guide](#) for reporting a positive COVID-19 test.** Process maps for students, faculty, staff and HEERA managers will be *revised and posted* on the Safer Return website.