

# Key Points of Information PUBLIC HEALTH - COVID



## Public School Defenders Hub 2023

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- Keep your family updated on their COVID boosters, and PYLUSD should support helping kids and parents get their annual updated booster, which is now a “bivalent” vaccine.

- COVID is no longer a public health emergency but is now a constantly circulating virus that can make people sick and kill older people. Bivalent boosters became available in late 2022. The original vaccines are not even on the market any longer as they are out-of-date.
- Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA), <https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/article/oc-health-officers-orders-recommendations>, accessed on 5/14/23

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- Over 8,000 Orange County residents have died of COVID since the beginning of the pandemic.
- OCHCA, <https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/coronavirus-in-oc>, accessed on 5/14/2

- CDC, CA Dept of Public Health, and CA Dept of Education all recommend staying up-to-date on COVID vaccinations with bivalent boosters.
- CA Dept of Ed, <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/K-12-Guidance-2022-23-School-Year.aspx#>, accessed on 5/14/23.

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- More than 600 million doses of the COVID vaccine have been administered in the United States alone, and billions more around the world. The COVID vaccines are safe and effective, and one of the most studied vaccines in history.
- CDC, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/safety/safety-of-vaccines.html>, accessed on 5/14/23.
- CDC, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/reporting-systems.html>, accessed on 5/14/23.

- COVID is still a threat which can cause illness and possible death for those with high risk factors. With over 600 million doses administered in the United States alone, we know that the vaccines are both safe and effective, and people should get their annual updated boosters to protect their families and their communities.

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