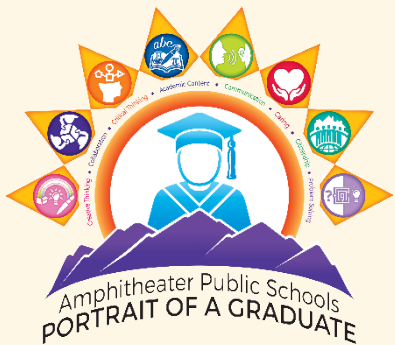




July 6, 2021

Superintendent's Report

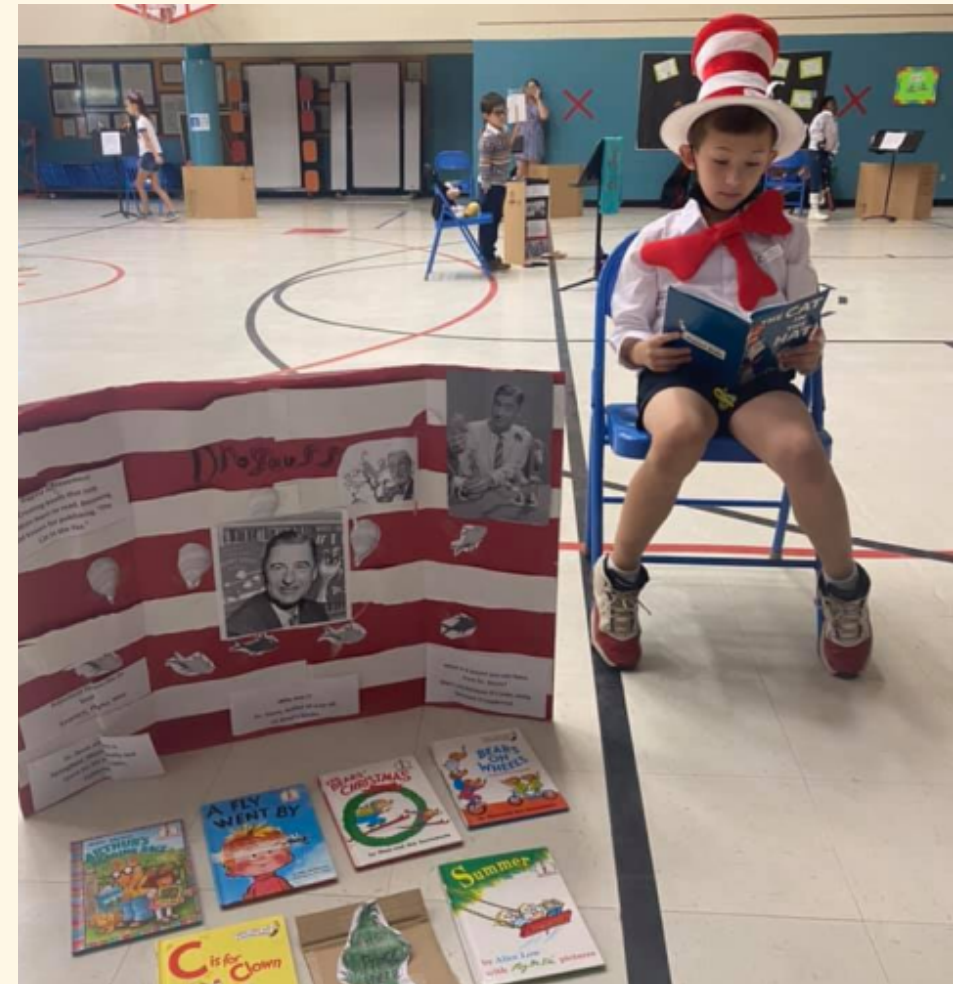




Amp Up



Future 5th graders at Innovation Academy brought their visit to Washington, D.C., to life by designing and building Smithsonian exhibits that represent a topic of interest. Exhibits included a soccer field, a fashion house, and the game “Animal Crossing.”



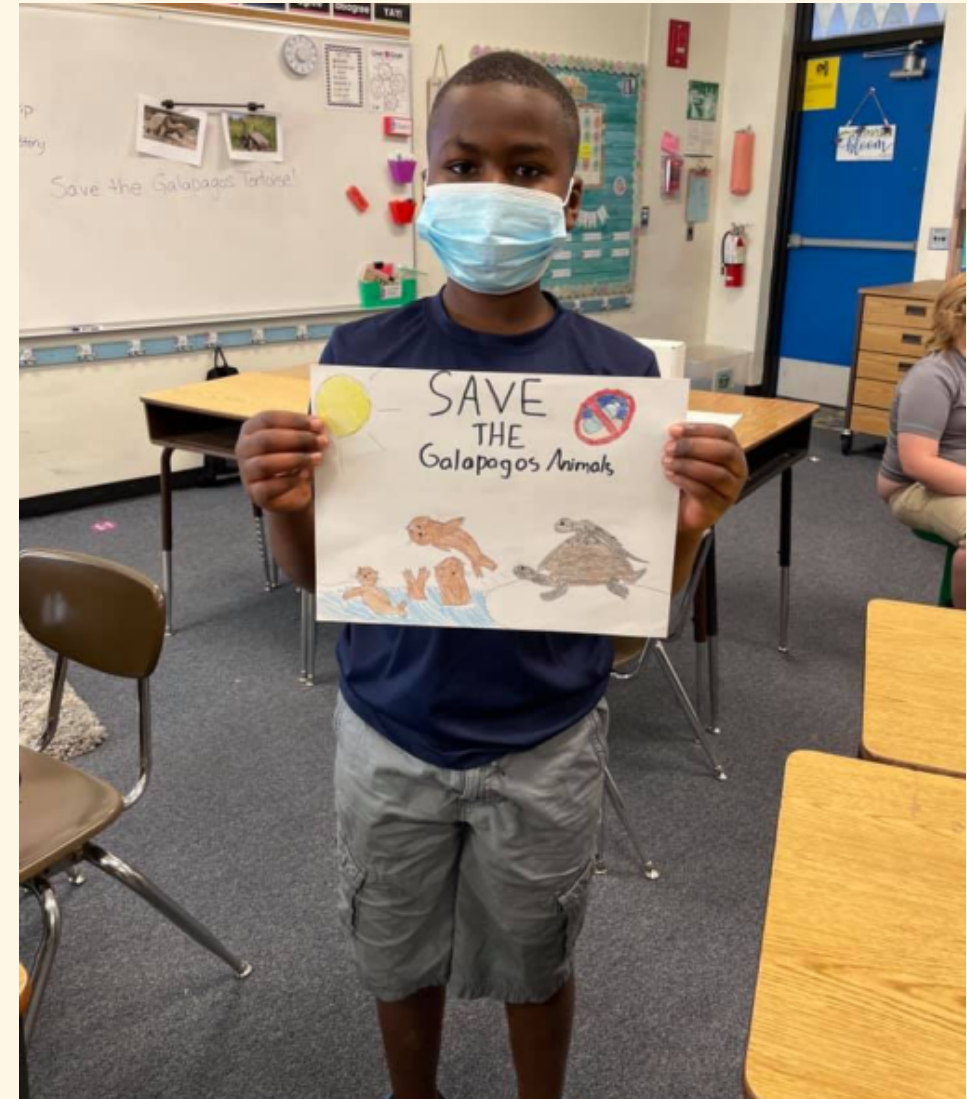
Holaway Elementary School students were also inspired by the Smithsonian Museums. Third-graders created a living museum. Each student researched an individual, created an exhibit, and embodied their subject for visitors.



Amp Up



Students at Donaldson Elementary School visited Australia and were tasked with choosing an animal and creating a song, skit, story, etc. to teach others about that animal.



At Keeling Elementary School, Mrs. Daigle's students traveled to the Galápagos Islands and created posters to help save the animals from pollution.



Information from Public Health



Pima County Metrics -- As of 6/24 (Steady)

Disease Data

Cases over two consecutive weeks (with complete reporting of cases)

Criteria not met	Progress	Criteria met

Percent Positivity

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COVID-19 like illness

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Health Care System Availability

Lab Testing Availability and Utilization

Criteria not met	Progress	Criteria met

Adequate hospital bed capacity to care for 2X the current COVID cases (+ surge) - Statewide

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Sufficient Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Emergency Responders

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Public Health Tracking and Investigation

Timely case investigation

Criteria not met	Progress	Criteria met

Testing of symptomatic contacts within 48 hours

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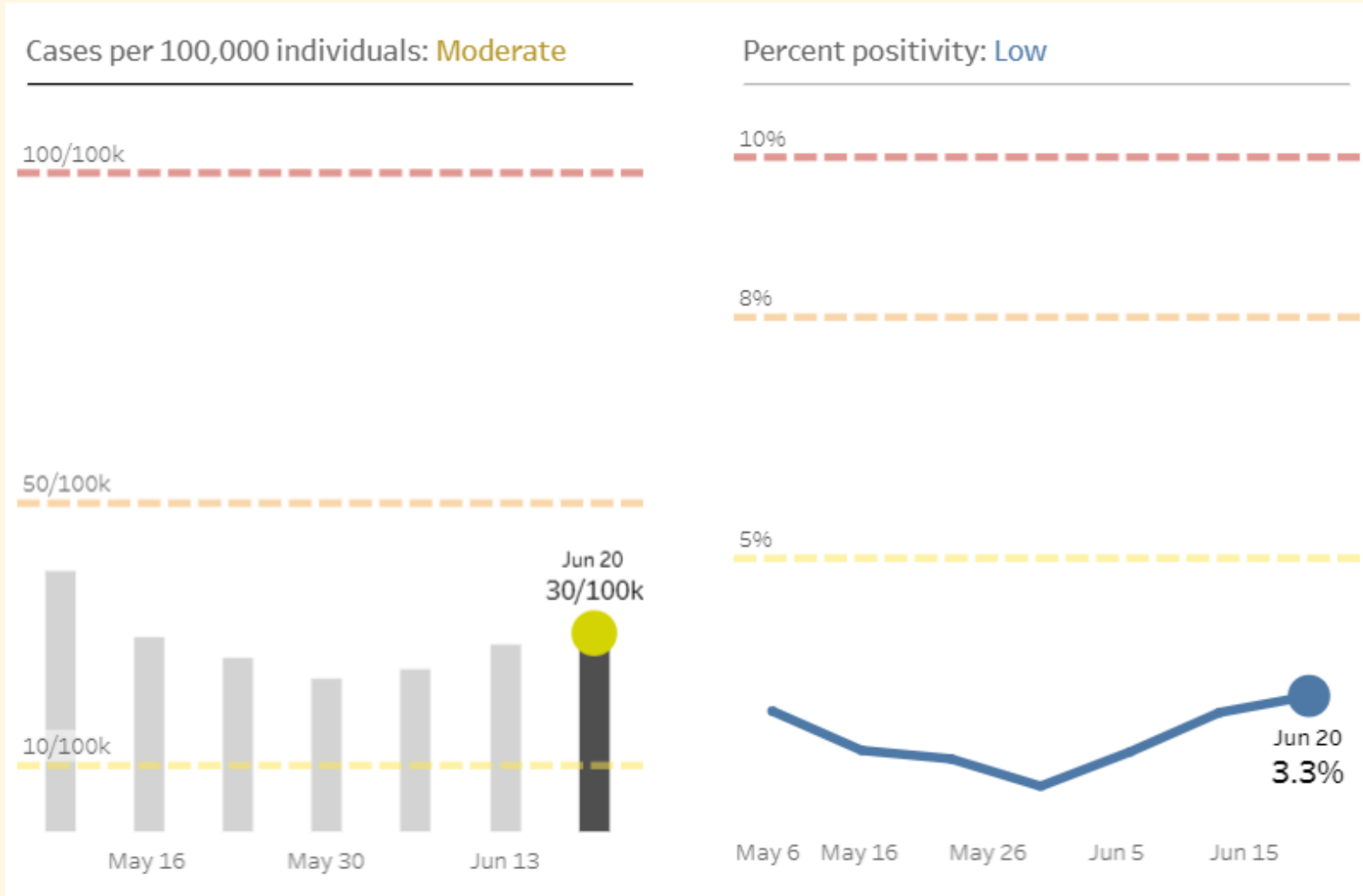
Facilities/support for patients who can't be discharged home - Statewide

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AZDHS School Guidance For Pima



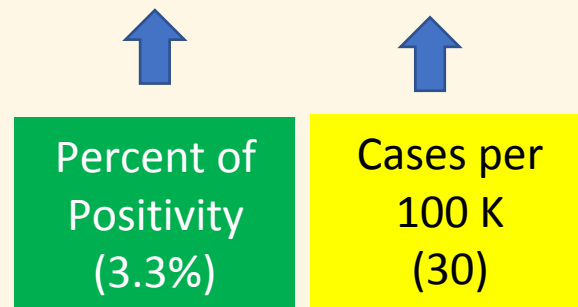
Week of June 20: 30 cases per 100K
 Week of June 13: 28 cases
 Week of June 6: 25 cases

Week of June 20: Test positivity rate = 3.3%.
 Week of June 13: 3.1%
 Week of June 6: 2.6%.



Current Transmission Level: Moderate

Indicator	Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the last 7 days	0 - 9	10 - 49	50 - 99	≥ 100
Percentage of nucleic acid amplification tests (NAATs) that are positive during the past 7 days	<5.0%	5.0% - 7.9%	8.0% - 9.9%	≥ 10.0%





AZDHS Recommended Mitigation Strategies



Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
Key Mitigation Strategies: Universal and correct use of masks; physical distancing ¹ ; handwashing and respiratory etiquette ² ; cleaning and maintaining health facilities; contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine.			
Sports and extracurricular activities: physical distancing of 6 feet or more, to the greatest extent possible ³	Sports and extracurricular activities: physical distancing of 6 feet or more	Sports and extracurricular activities: occur only if they can be held outdoors, with physical distancing of 6 feet or more	Sports and extracurricular activities: virtual only
Diagnostic testing⁴: Symptomatic students, teachers, and staff and close contacts referred for diagnostic testing			
K-12 schools open for full in-person instruction		Elementary schools in hybrid learning mode or reduced attendance ⁵	Middle and high schools in virtual instruction unless they can strictly implement all mitigation strategies and have few cases.
		Middle and high schools in hybrid learning mode or reduced attendance	Schools that are already open for in-person instruction with successfully implemented mitigation strategies can remain open, but only if they continue to strictly implement mitigation strategies and have few cases ⁶
The items listed below include additional recommendations for schools choosing to perform routine COVID-19 screening testing.			
Screening testing for teachers and staff⁷: Routine screening testing of teachers and staff offered once per week			
Screening testing for students⁸: None	Screening testing for students: Routine screening testing of students offered once per week		
K-12 schools open for full in-person instruction		K-12 schools in hybrid learning mode or reduced attendance	

Mask Protocols for SY 21-22

- At the June 22, 2021 Board Meeting, I proposed that masks be optional for staff and students alike, with the proviso that unvaccinated individuals would be encouraged to wear them.
- Solicited feedback was approximately 50-50 in favor/against the proposal.
- Subsequently, state legislation eliminated any issue of local district *mandates* – more on that in tonight's Legislative Review.

