

# Return to School Board Update

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# Blueprint for a Safer Economy Update

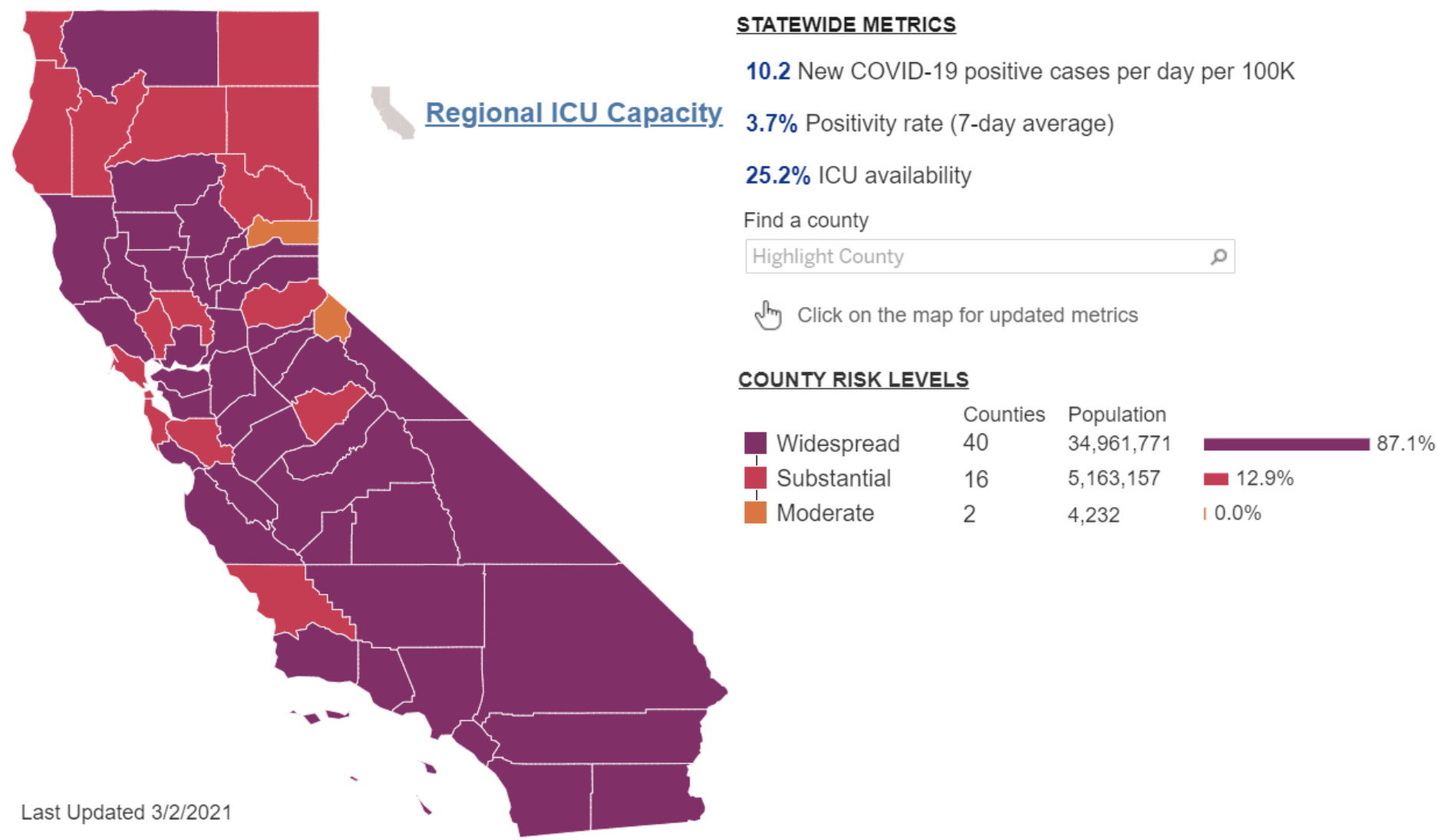
- As of March 4, 2021, the Blueprint for a Safer Economy has been updated to reflect full swing vaccination efforts in California with the goal of achieving community immunity.
- **Modifications to the Blueprint will primarily include two approaches:**  
(1) shifting the tier threshold to higher case rates per 100K population per day based on meeting vaccination thresholds within Vaccine Equity Quartile communities and; (2) changing certain sector specific guidance and issuing new sector guidance to incorporate learnings from the last year about how the virus spreads.

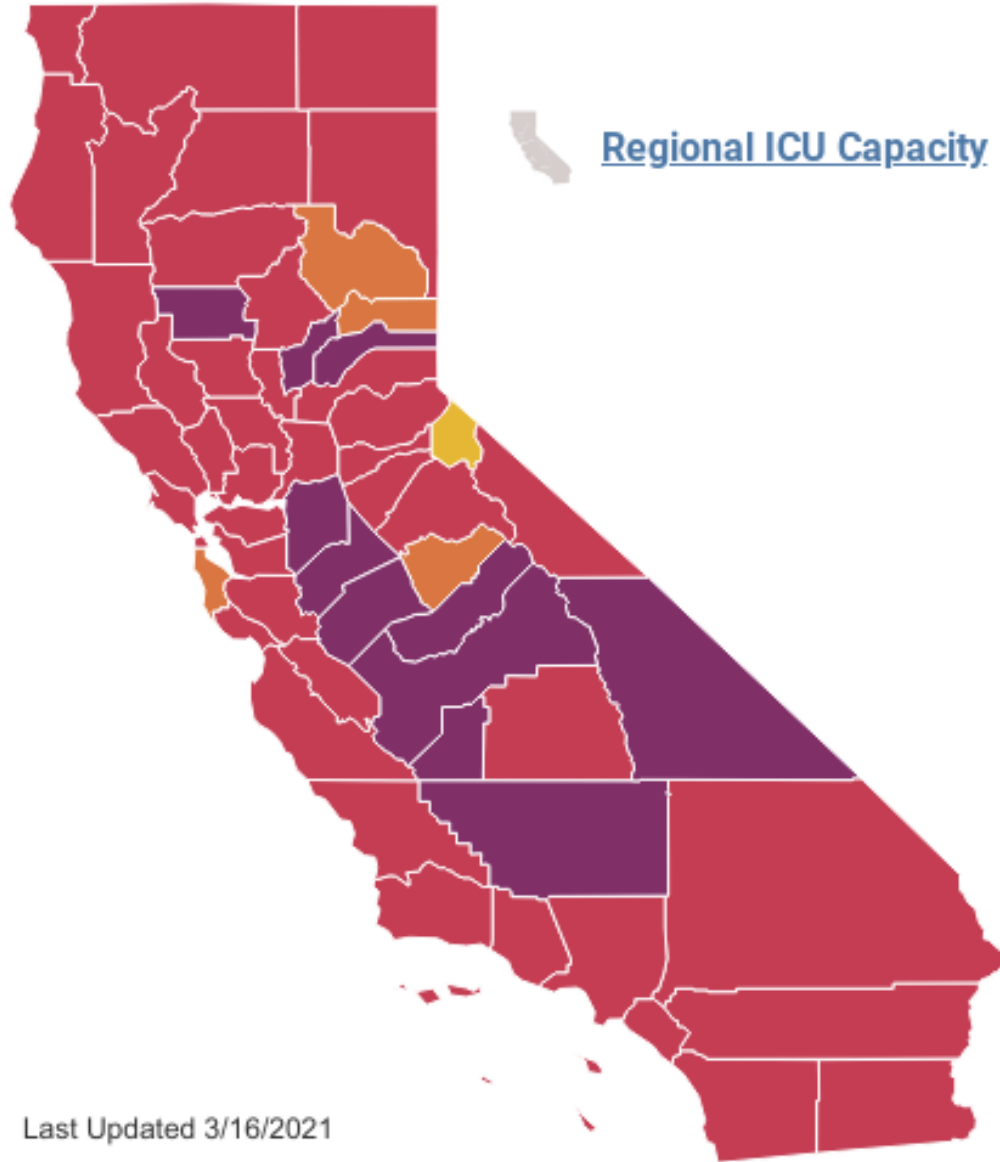
# New Tiers Calculations Cont. –Blueprint Tier Framework

## Thresholds Upon Meeting Statewide Vaccine Equity Metric Goals

Doses administered in the Vaccine Equity Quartile (statewide)	<b>Tier 1 Widespread (Purple)</b>	<b>Tier 2 Substantial (Red)</b>	<b>Tier 3 Moderate (Orange)</b>	<b>Tier 4 Minimal (Yellow)</b>
<b>Current: Less than 2 million doses administered</b>	Case Rate > 7	Case Rate 4 - 7	Case Rate 1 - 3.9	Case Rate < 1
<b>Goal #1: 2 Million administered</b>	Case Rate > 10	Case Rate 4 - 10	Case Rate 1 - 3.9	Case Rate < 1
<b>Goal #2: 4 Million doses administered</b>	Case Rate > 10	Case Rate 6 - 10	Case Rate 2 - 5.9	Case Rate < 2

Tier assignments may occur any day of the week and may occur more than once a week. Select a county to see what region it's in.





#### STATEWIDE METRICS

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**2.3%** Positivity rate (7-day average)

**28.7%** ICU availability

Find a county

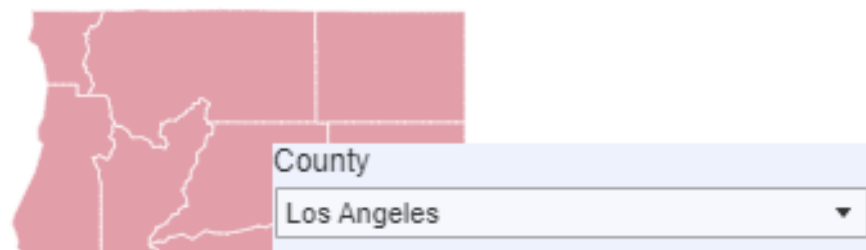


Click on the map for updated metrics

#### COUNTY RISK LEVELS

	Counties	Population	
Widespread	11	4,134,080	10.3%
Substantial	42	35,176,055	87.7%
Moderate	4	817,908	2.0%
Minimal	1	1,117	0.0%

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### Los Angeles County

[Close](#)



Southern California Region

*Eligible to exit Regional Order effective 1/25/2021*

*Was placed on Regional Stay Home Order 12/6/2020 3:59 PM*

#### COUNTY RISK LEVEL

**Substantial\***

Some non-essential indoor business operations are open with modifications

#### COUNTY METRICS

5.5 New COVID-19 cases per day per 100K

4.1 Adjusted case rate for tier assignment

2.0% Positivity rate (7-day average)

2.8% Health equity quartile positivity rate

3 weeks prior

2/23

Widespread

2 weeks prior

3/2

Widespread

1 week prior

3/9

Substantial

Current

3/16

Substantial

\*See California Blueprint Data Chart for tier determination.

Widespread

Substantial

Moderate

Minimal

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# NEWS RELEASE



## **Grades 7-12, Indoor Dining, Movie Theaters, and Other Sectors May Reopen on Monday with Safety Measures in Place**

March 12, 2021

Today, the State announced **2 million COVID-19 vaccine doses** have been administered to people in the most under-resourced communities across the state which now **allows L.A. County to move to the less restrictive red tier.**

The Los Angeles County Health Officer Order [has been updated](#) today to closely align with the State's re-opening framework and reflect the changes allowed in the red tier. Additional safety modifications are required or recommended for certain sectors. **The changes go into effect on Monday, March 15 at 12:01 a.m.**

- **Schools are permitted to re-open for in-person instruction for students in grades 7-12** adhering to all state and county directives.

# Updated Health Order



## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER

Revised 3/12/2021

**Reopening Protocols for K-12 Schools: Appendix T1 Effective Date:  
12:01am on Monday, March 15, 2021**

### **General Reopening Guidance for All Schools**

At this time when Los Angeles County is in Red Tier or higher, all schools are permitted to **reopen for all students in any grades TK – 12.**

Schools open for in person learning **must also continue to offer 100% distance learning as an option** for those families that prefer it

## SUBSTANTIAL

Some non-essential indoor business operations are closed

# Red Tier Determination



- Determination of meeting the Red Tier criterion: Similarly, schools are now eligible to open the first day a county is in the Red Tier (i.e., the Wednesday following the Tuesday announcement of the weekly county tier assignments on the Blueprint website), without a five consecutive day waiting period. This recognizes that counties need to have met Red Tier criteria for two weeks prior to entering into the Red Tier, and therefore the Blueprint calculation captures more than a five-day period of lower and downward trends in the numbers.
- Finally, to support calm and safe reopenings, the guidance now provides a **three-week eligibility window** for re-opening after a county has met the relevant metric for school re-opening, regardless of increases in case rates during that time or reversion back to the Purple tier.

# Red Tier Scenario – Under 7 on March 9

## As shared on March 9 Board Meeting

County Assigned to Red on  
March 16



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Eligible to Open

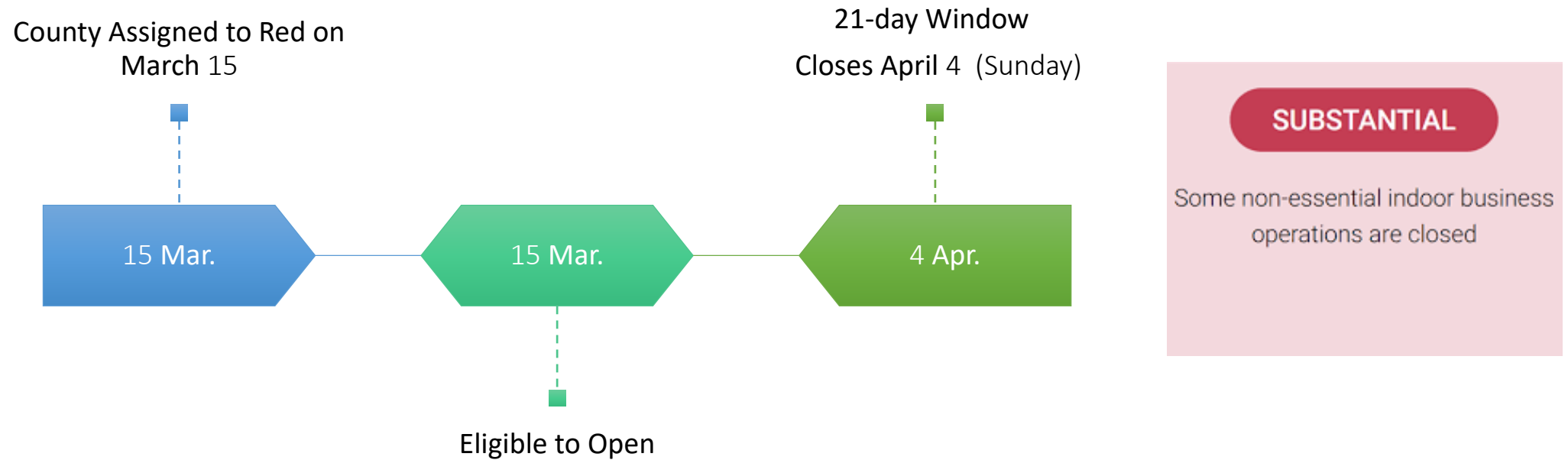
21-day Window – Closes April  
7 (Wednesday)

7 Apr.

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# Red Tier Scenario – Updated Red Tier on March 15



# Updated Youth and Adult Sports Protocols

## Effective Date: 12:01am on Monday, March 15, 2021



- **Indoor youth** and adult recreational sports activities, including training, conditioning, contact practice and competitions **may resume** only in compliance with the requirements laid out in this protocol, which includes regular testing, the implementation of a Return to Play Safety Plan and a Site-Specific Safety Plan.
- Adopt and Adhere to a **Return to Play Safety Plan**  
The entity sponsoring the sports team (e.g., school, league, or team) must adopt a “Return to Play” Safety Plan and file it along with a Site-Specific Safety Plan with LACDPH **at least 14 days prior to restarting any indoor sports activities.**





# Indoor Sports Testing Requirements

- **Participants, coaches, and support staff must be tested regularly.** This includes baseline testing and ongoing screening testing. Based on current evidence and standards, both daily antigen testing, and periodic PCR testing are acceptable methods for both baseline and ongoing screening testing.
- For high-risk contact sports (basketball, field hockey, football, ice hockey, lacrosse, rowing, rugby, soccer, squash, volleyball, water polo, and wrestling), competition between teams is permitted only if the **team can provide COVID-19 testing and results of all athletes and support staff within 48 hours of each competition.**

# Better Together!

At our March 9th Board Meeting, a return date of **Monday, March 29th** was approved for Early Childhood and TK-5<sup>th</sup> grade general and special education students to return to each of our thirteen elementary school campuses.

# Elementary In-Person Hybrid Schedule: General Ed

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30-11:30	Group A In-Person		Distance Learning for all students	Group B In-Person	
11:30	Dismissal/Grab N' Go Lunch			Dismissal/Grab N' Go Lunch	
12:20-3:00	Distance Learning Students & Group B Zoom Instruction			Distance Learning Students & Group A Zoom Instruction	

# Elementary In-Person Hybrid Schedule: Special Ed

## Self-Contained Programs:

1. Moderate-Severe Classrooms
2. Mild/Moderate SDC
3. DHH Self-Contained

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30-11:30	In-Person Instruction	In-Person Instruction	<b>Distance Learning for all students</b>	In-Person Instruction	In-Person Instruction
11:30	Dismissal/Grab N' Go Lunch	Dismissal/Grab N' Go Lunch		Dismissal/Grab N' Go Lunch	Dismissal/Grab N' Go Lunch
12:20-3:00	Distance Learning Zoom	Distance Learning Zoom		Distance Learning Zoom	Distance Learning Zoom

# Elementary In-Person Hybrid Schedule (WED)

**The Wednesday schedule will continue to be Full Distance Learning:**

- **Two (2), 45-minute blocks**
  - Teacher Synchronous Instruction: 8:30 am to 9:15 am
  - Break: 9:15 am to 9:30 am
  - Teacher Synchronous Instruction: 9:30 am to 10:15 am
  - 10:30am to 2pm students can participate in PE, Math and STEAM

## Secondary Recommitment Data – DL 60%, Hybrid 40%

- 1,942 students that have changed their selection from November
- 1091 changed from Hybrid to DL
- 851 changed from DL to Hybrid
- Net increase of 240 more DL students overall

School	Schedule	Count	Percent
Columbus	DL	182	61.1%
Columbus	Hybrid	116	38.9%
Downey	DL	2705	63.6%
Downey	Hybrid	1545	36.4%
Doty	DL	752	55.5%
Doty	Hybrid	603	44.5%
Griffiths	DL	663	51.2%
Griffiths	Hybrid	632	48.8%
Stauffer	DL	759	55.9%
Stauffer	Hybrid	599	44.1%
Sussman	DL	591	54.6%
Sussman	Hybrid	491	45.4%
Warren	DL	2218	65.1%
Warren	Hybrid	1190	34.9%

# Better Together!

As a result of the leadership from our Board of Education and in positive collaboration with the Downey Education Association (DEA), staff is excited to recommend that our all students grade 6 –12 and adult transition students return to in-person hybrid schedule for secondary schools on **Monday, March 29th, 2021.**

# Secondary In-Person Hybrid Schedule

## Safe Return to School Guidebook (Page 7)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
TIME	Cohort A in-person Cohorts B & C Zoom in	Cohort B in-person Cohorts A & C Zoom in	Full Distance Learning	Cohort A in-person Cohorts B & C Zoom in	Cohort B in-person Cohorts A & C Zoom in
8:30-9:44	Period 1	Period 1	<b>DISTANCE LEARNING DAY</b>  <i>Please refer to your school's website for Wednesday schedule</i>	Period 2	Period 2
9:54-11:07	Period 3	Period 3		Period 4	Period 4
11:17-12:30	Period 5	Period 5		Period 6	Period 6
12:30-1:15	Grab and Go Lunch / School Dismissal			Grab and Go Lunch / School Dismissal	
1:15-2:00	Intervention & Enrichment	Intervention & Enrichment		Intervention & Enrichment	Intervention & Enrichment
2:15-3:00	Office Hours	Office Hours		Office Hours	Office Hours

# Special Education Zoom Meetings

- Q/A meeting held with all Elementary Special Education Teachers on Thursday, March 11th
- Q/A meeting scheduled with all Secondary Special Education Teachers on Wednesday, March 17th

## Request for Special Board Meeting – March 23

Finalize In-Person  
Hybrid MOU's with  
DEA and CSEA Unit 1  
and Unit 2



# Questions

