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Promoting and protecting health, well-being, self-sufficiency, and safety of all in Marin County.

Marin County COVID-19 status update: April 7th, 2020



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COVID-19 activity in Marin:

Marin Confirmed Cases:	148
Marin Deaths:	10
Marin Persons Tested:	1,780
Marin Hospitalizations:	27
California Confirmed Cases:	17,165
California Deaths:	430

To see a breakdown of confirmed cases by age or gender, visit Marin HHS's [data website](#). In addition, our surveillance team monitors respiratory illness activity and hospital visits. Tracking the total number of visits and those due to respiratory illnesses provides a situational awareness of current resource needs in our community, which helps advance policies to limit community spread and support our excellent healthcare partners' capacity to respond. Visit the [data website](#) to learn more.

Marin School campuses closed for the remainder of school year

Marin County has aligned with six Bay Area county health officers and county superintendents of schools to make a unified, [regional decision to extend school closures](#) through the end of the school year. All schools will continue to provide instruction through distance learning.

Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Mateo, Santa Clara, and San Francisco counties agreed to this decision for the health and safety of our communities at large. The decision follows statements by Governor Gavin Newsom and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond suggesting that California's students would not likely be able to return to campus for in-person learning for the remainder of this school year.

In addition to providing student instruction through distance learning, school districts will continue to distribute school meals and provide child care for health care workers and essential workers as determined by local needs.

Surge preparation throughout Marin County

As [COVID-19](#) cases continue to climb in the Bay Area, the [Marin County Department of Health and Human Services](#) (HHS) and local health care providers are positioned to respond to increased demands on Marin's hospital system, including significant hospital surge.

Currently, hospitalizations from COVID-19 and similar respiratory illnesses are within Marin's hospital bed capacity. However, scientific modeling

predicts a continuous increase of COVID-19 cases, creating potential surge over the next two to six weeks. Hospital surge is the point during a significant emergency when demand surpasses capacity in hospitals, long-term care facilities, community care clinics, and/or emergency medical services.

Read our [news release](#) to learn more about the steps Marin Public Health and local hospitals have done to prepare response plans for all levels of hospital surge.

Video update from your Public Health Officer

Dr. Matt Willis provides an update on his personal experience with COVID-19. Disclaimer: At the time of this video, there were 23 Marin hospitalizations, which increased to 27 at the time the updated data was collected for the status update.



(Click on the image or [watch on YouTube](#))

Where to get the latest information:

Visit the official Marin County Coronavirus webpage (MarinHHS.org/coronavirus) to review answers to frequently asked questions, access guidance for special groups and subscribe for email updates. To view past status updates concerning COVID-19 activity in Marin County, click on the resources tab on the [Coronavirus webpage](#).

Have questions? Individuals can contact Marin Health and Human Services with non-medical questions about the coronavirus by calling (415) 473-7191 (Monday – Friday, 9:30am to 12-noon and 1pm to 5pm).