

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Smog (Ozone) Episodes (Smog Alert)

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has adopted regulations affecting the South Coast Air Basin and assigned schools to various geographic zones.

A. Air Pollution Zones

1. Schools in the District are assigned to geographic zones 7 and 8.

Zone 7

Balboa	Franklin	Muir
Early Education and Extended Learning Sites	Hoover High	Roosevelt
Cerritos	Jefferson	Toll
Columbus	Keppel	Wilson
Daily High	Mann	R.D. White
Edison	Marshall	

Zone 8

Early Education and Extended Learning Sites	Fremont	Monte Vista
Clark Magnet High	Glendale High	Mountain Avenue
College View	Glenoaks	Rosemont
Crescenta Valley High	La Crescenta	Valley View
Dunsmore	Lincoln	Verdugo Woodlands

B. Transmission of Information to Schools

1. The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) will notify the District Health Services office of smog episodes.
2. The District Health Services office will advise the affected schools of attained unhealthy smog episodes.

C. Smog (Ozone) Episodes and Restrictions of Physical Activities

1. Health Advisory Episode – 138-200 PSI* - Unhealthful Level
 - a. Susceptible individuals, especially those with heart or lung disease should stay indoors.
 - b. Everyone, including healthy adults and children should curtail prolonged vigorous exercise.
 - c. Physical education instruction and recess activities shall be modified as recommended above.

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2. Stage I – 200-275 PSI – Very Unhealthful Level
 - a. School Programs and Activities
 - 1) Students and staff at every school level shall refrain from all vigorous and strenuous outdoor activities which will increase the respiratory rate of participants. This includes activities during physical education instruction, recess periods, activities in the Early Education and Extended Learning Programs, as well as after-school athletic practices.
 - 2) Students and staff with special health problems shall follow any additional precautions recommended in writing by their physicians.
 - b. Interscholastic Athletic Programs
 - 1) If a Stage I episode is currently in effect in a geographic area at the time that an interscholastic game or event is scheduled to begin, that event shall be postponed.
 - 2) If a Stage I episode is predicted for a geographic area where an interscholastic event is scheduled, the schools involved will be notified immediately by the District Health Services office so the event may be postponed.
- D. Smog (Ozone) Episodes and Restrictions of Physical Activities
 3. Stage II and III – 300-400 PSI – Very Unhealthful to Hazardous Level
 - a. Students and staff at every school level, including those in the Early Education and Extended Learning Programs shall remain indoors and minimize physical activity.
 - b. Additional restrictions such as shortening of the school day or closing of schools shall be made by the Superintendent.
- E. Special Instructions to Administrators
 1. Students with special health problems shall follow the precautions recommended by their physicians. In the absence of physician recommendation, outdoor activities of these students shall be curtailed accordingly.

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2. Physical education activities and athletic practices shall be modified or cancelled based on episode levels as specified above.
3. Compliance with restrictions of physical education activities based on the recommendations of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) shall be the responsibility of the site administrator.
4. The site administrator and teachers shall use extreme caution in supervising students' physical activities during hot and/or smoggy days and may take independent actions to protect the health of students.

* Pollutant Standards Index (PSI)

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