



Concord to Open City Playgrounds on Oct. 1

County enters "red tier," more businesses allowed to operate

Concord, Calif. (Sept. 30, 2020) -- Under the new State guidelines announced this week, the City of Concord will be reopening its 19 playgrounds on Thursday, Oct. 1. Public Works staff is inspecting and preparing all playgrounds today, and installing new signage indicating usage rules designed to keep people safe from the spread of COVID-19.

Parents and caregivers are responsible for protecting their children and themselves. Rules include:

- Wear a Mask
- Maintain Distance
- No Food or Drink
- Wash Hands (Remember to bring sanitizer to the playground)
- Know When to Stay Home (If ill or if particularly vulnerable to COVID)
- Share Our Space (Wait your turn, let others have a turn)

The City is asking all playground visitors to "Stay safe and play safe."

More Openings

On Sept. 29, Contra Costa Health Services announced that, thanks to recent progress being made in the fight against COVID-19, the county has qualified to move into the less restrictive red tier ("substantial") of the state's four-tiered, color-coded reopening system.

Moving into the red tier means the following sectors can reopen with modifications:

- Places of worship, restaurants, movie theaters and museums can operate indoors at 25% capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer
- Gyms can reopen indoors at 10% capacity
- All personal care services, including massage, can move indoors
- Indoor shopping malls can operate at 50% maximum occupancy (instead of 25%). Food courts can also open following the state's guidelines for restaurants.
- Indoor retail stores can now operate at 50% capacity (instead of 25%)
- Outdoor playgrounds

According to the CCHS news release, "health officials caution that COVID-19 is still circulating in the community and people should continue to take all the same precautions health officials

have been advising for months: wear face coverings in public, maintain physical distancing, wash hands frequently and stay home if you're sick."

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Play It Safe

Due to the ongoing spread of COVID-19 in our communities, please follow these simple steps to help keep our outdoor playgrounds safe, open and fun.

- ✓ **WEAR A MASK**
Everyone 2 years and older should wear a mask covering their face.
- ✓ **MAINTAIN DISTANCE**
Maintain physical distance of 6 feet between individuals from different households and prevent crowding of children.
- ✓ **NO FOOD OR DRINK**
Do not eat or drink in playground to ensure face masks are worn at all times.
- ✓ **WASH HANDS**
Wash or sanitize your hands before and after you visit.
- ✓ **PLAN AHEAD**
Visit the park at different times or days to avoid crowds and waits.
- ✓ **KNOW WHEN TO STAY HOME**
Elderly individuals and people with underlying medical conditions should avoid playgrounds when others are present.
- ✓ **SHARE OUR SPACE**
To avoid crowding and allow everyone to use this space, please limit your visit to 30 minutes when others are waiting.

Visit [COVID19.CA.GOV](https://www.cdph.ca.gov) for more information

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STAY SAFE PLAY SAFE

This playground does not meet State recommendations for preventing the spread of COVID-19

This playground is not sanitized daily

Caregivers are responsible for assuring social distancing and masking rules are followed

Visit the California Department of Public Health for more information at: www.cdph.ca.gov

Scan this QR code with a smart phone camera for quick access to playground recommendations