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Today: How counties are enforcing restrictions

Which areas are fining people who don't wear masks? Which are checking up on business closures? We round up how each county is enforcing health orders.



Sporting Green

Samardzija pounded early as Giants fall to Padres in fan-free home opener. **D1**

Business

Mid-Market food hall adding vendors despite pandemic. **C1**



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Bay Area cases top 50,000

Colleges: No roommates, no family move-in help under new housing rules

By Danielle Echeverria

For UC Berkeley students, move-in day this fall will lack much of the commotion of a regular year. There will be no meeting roommates, no families unloading cars and carrying boxes through the halls. This year's cohort will have an entirely new set of challenges.

Instead of one big day of arrivals, students will be assigned days and times to move in, with only two people permitted to help. After that, students will sequester themselves for a week to 10 days. They will all get tested for the

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Coronavirus update As of 9:30 p.m. Tuesday

BAY AREA		UNITED STATES
50,230	784	4,351,997
cases	deaths	cases
CALIFORNIA		149,256
473,522	8,722	deaths
cases	deaths	

Source: Chronicle research, county health departments and Johns Hopkins University

Find charts, graphs and many more details about the pandemic at sfchronicle.com/coronavirus-map

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Control: Contra Costa is 3rd county to implement fines for violating orders

By Peter Fimrite

The Bay Area topped 50,000 coronavirus cases Tuesday, an ignominious milestone in a seemingly interminable year loaded with misfortune, heartache and numbing restrictions on people's movements that are likely to continue for some time.

The Bay Area's nine counties together recorded 50,230 cases in the midst of a statewide surge in infections. The number of fatalities caused by COVID-19 in the Bay Area stood at 784 on Tuesday.

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Aaron Scales

Former Vallejo officer's stunning claims

Says cops tallied killings on badges

By Anna Bauman and Demian Bulwa

A former Vallejo police captain is accusing the department of firing him for flagging misconduct that included concerns that some officers bent their badges to mark fatal shootings and that a former police chief told an underling to "burn" a kidnapping victim he wrongly accused of orchestrating a hoax.

The captain, John Whitney, said that some officers would bend one tip of their seven-point star for each of their killings. He said he became aware of the practice in February 2019 after police fatally shot Willie McCoy in a Taco Bell drive-through, where he had passed out with a gun in his lap.

Whitney brought his misconduct concerns to Mayor Bob Sampayan, City Manager Greg Nyhoff and then-City Attorney Claudia Quintana, before he was released last August after

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Major fire damages six buildings in S.F.

A raging fire broke out early Tuesday morning near the Central Freeway in San Francisco's South of Market neighborhood. The blaze may have ignited in a building supply store on 14th Street, according to the San Francisco Fire Department, and it quickly spread to five other buildings in a two-block area near 13th Street and South Van Ness Avenue. Fire Chief Jeanine Nicholson said 160 firefighters with the help of 60 trucks and engines fought the inferno, which displaced three residents and 100 workers. The fire was 90% contained by 10:30 a.m., with a few hot spots remaining. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

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CAMPAIGN 2020

Biden's vice presidential pick could make California a target

By Joe Garofoli

Joe Biden has said he'll pick a running mate as early as Saturday, and two Californians — Sen. Kamala Harris and Rep. Karen Bass — are on his short list. If he chooses either one, it will be the first time a California Democrat has been on the party's national ticket.

But it won't just be Harris or Bass there. California will be on the ballot, too, with all the stereotypes about the state — some truer than others — on display for the next three months.

"'California' is a code word," said Ken Goldstein, a professor of politics at the University of



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Rep. Karen Bass and Sen. Kamala Harris are on the Biden short list and could put California on the ballot as well.

San Francisco who has analyzed political advertising for more than two decades. "'California' becomes a coded way for Republicans to attack Demo-



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crats." Democrats have a positive story they can tell about California — one that emphasizes its

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Weather



Times of clouds and sunshine. Highs: 62-97. Lows: 49-58. **D6**



San Mateo still a holdout as S.F. OKs Caltrain tax

By Rachel Swan

The three counties that fund Caltrain have reached an impasse that may shut down the Peninsula rail line, which is limping through the COVID-19 pandemic while carrying 5% of the passengers it had last year.

On Tuesday, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors unanimously approved putting a 1/8-cent sales tax measure on the November ballot, with controversial conditions that would tie up most of the money until the counties resolve a conflict about governance.

Officials in San Mateo County have vowed to reject the measure in its current form, saying the conditions are illegal and could paralyze the 51-mile commuter railroad.

"The alternative ballot measure that San Francisco is poised to approve is illegal, unwinnable

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