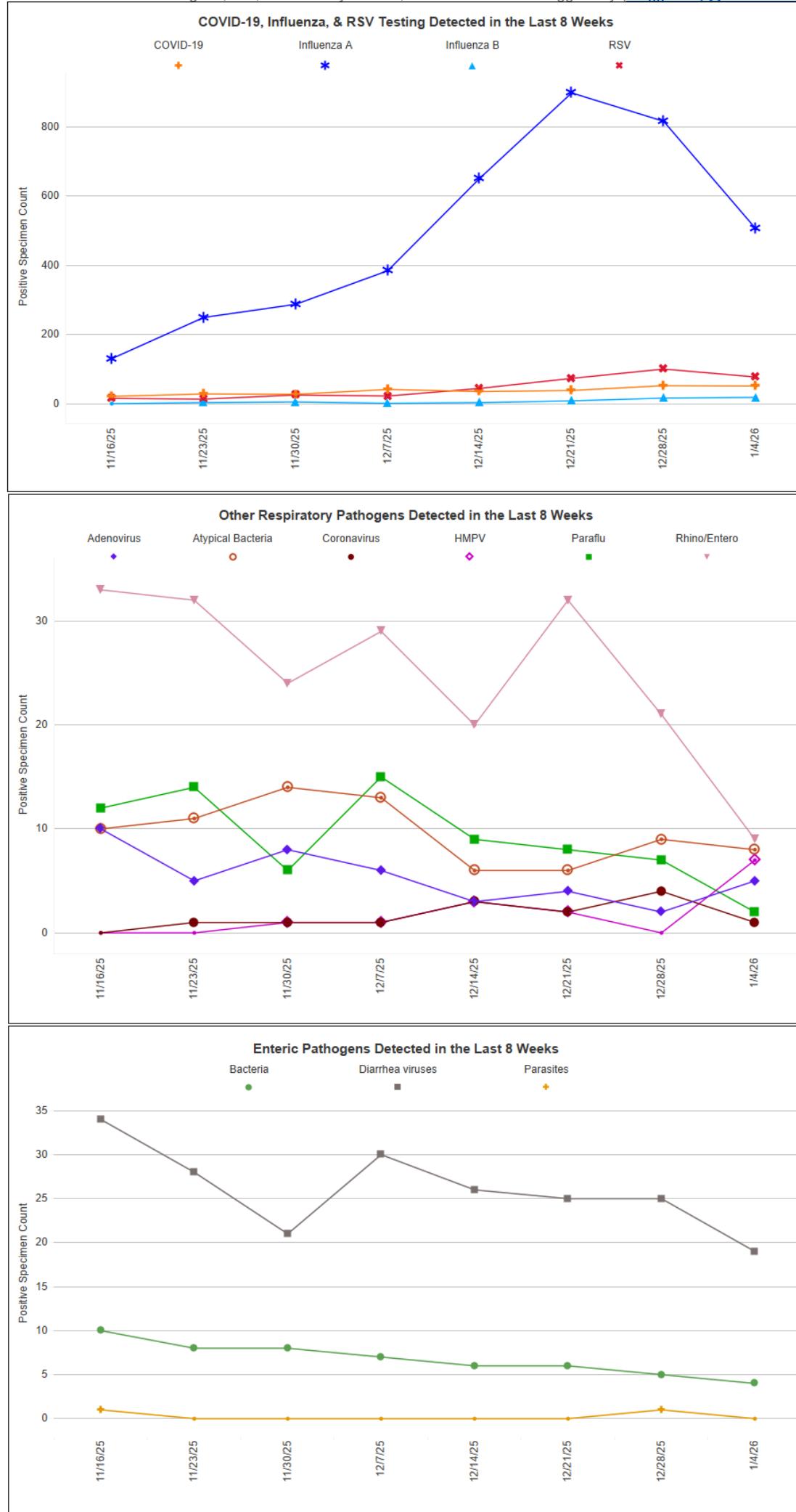


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Late Breaker: Influenza circulation continues to be very high in Colorado and throughout the United States. The predominant circulating strain remains influenza A H3N2, variant K. So far this year there have been 9 reported influenza-associated pediatric deaths nationally and current data suggest that influenza-associated hospitalizations are very high compared to previous years.