Dear Colleagues,

Earlier this week, we shared information about how to upload vaccination records on our website, as per the Board of Trustees' vaccination requirement. We have additional details to share, which are correct now that our CEO and full campus is open as we move from the pandemic.

Vaccination Mandate Update

To support the implementation of the COVID-19 vaccination mandate at Cypress College, students and employees may now submit their vaccination information or request an exemption through the platform on our website (see image below).

Students and employees are required to submit documentation by November 1, to be considered fully vaccinated. The deadline for this time frame must be earlier than December 1.DOB-Inclusive and local vaccination records may be uploaded directly. If you are fully vaccinated, Cypress College will be verifying two vaccine cards to allow you to avoid this deadline, which will be extended at the end of this message.

The vaccination mandate is established by the California Code of Regulations – California Community Colleges Board of Trustees (BCT). This mandate requires COVID-19 vaccination for all employees and students on all campus locations, with a deadline of one or two-dose vaccines by December 1, 2021. Cypress College is not verifying two vaccine cards if all vaccine cards were not submitted by December 1, 2021.

The policy requires that all employees, as well as students who are enrolling in classes or programs, be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 by November 1. The mandate does not allow for the unvaccinated employees and students to complete a face mask/no mask option. The employees and students will be required to wear the mask while on campus for all time frames. If you’re already vaccinated, please continue to wear a mask in your campus community. The mandate is subject to change as updates to the state or local policies may occur.

Vaccination Verification Process Launches

Students and employees are able to upload vaccination documents and request exemptions through the platform on our website (see image below). You may click on the image to see the steps.

Vaccination Deadline

Employers may now request an exemption for an employee by November 1. Students also have a November 1 vaccination requirement deadlne. Employees and students are required to submit documentation by November 1 or December 1, 2021. Cypress College will be verifying two vaccine cards to allow you to avoid this deadline, which will be extended at the end of this message.

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Masking and Social Distancing

Cypress College will continue to require that everyone wear a mask while on campus. Any change to the campus community will be posted on our website.

Vaccine Clinics

In preparation for the vaccination deadline, Cypress College has partnered with the Orange County Health Care Agency to host two off-campus vaccine clinics.

These clinics will be available China Pearl Park and Cypress College Nursing on the following dates:

- Wednesday, November 17th, 2021
- Monday, October 18, 2021

Both clinics will be operated on a first-come, first-served basis. If you plan to participate in fully vaccinated in accordance with the Cypress College vaccination requirements, you must be for the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine, along with the website of the Preschool Health Services, and uploaded to your campus student profile.

Vaccine Town Hall

Cypress College is now facilitating a campus town hall in the next few weeks with local community leaders. Cypress College will provide community leaders and your community to answer all of your questions.

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We know this is dynamic and may change frequently. We encourage you to seek more information from your local health and human services for any questions you may have. We are here to support our campus community. If you have questions, please reach out to Student Affairs and Administration.

Warm regards,

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