Dear Colleagues,

I am writing with additional details about the vaccine mandate approved by the Board of Trustees last week. We will continue to update you regularly to provide you with the latest information. There is much more to come — some of which will depend on input and agreement from our bargaining units and further consultation with the Board. For now, here is what we know:

- Employees and students must be fully vaccinated by November 1, 2021.
- To meet this deadline, the second shot of either the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine must take place no later than October 17, 2021.
- Employees and students will be able to upload their vaccination information into a secure, HIPPA-compliant server through myGateway starting on September 15, 2021.
- The following email update, including an FAQ, was distributed to students yesterday. Although it is student-focused, it will give you a sense of the Board’s direction regarding the vaccine and it may answer some of your specific questions.
- Although not yet scheduled, we are working on additional on-campus vaccination clinics.
- We plan to host a campus Town Hall in the coming weeks in order to cover all of the processes, hear from health professionals, and to answer your questions.

Our goal is to provide a safe campus community with reasonable assurances that precautions are taken and health and safety are prioritized.

We care about you, your safety, and the health and wellbeing of our entire campus community. Thank you for working together to beat this virus and ensure a return to all the things we most love about Cypress College, and in our personal and professional lives.

Buen Cypress, We Take This Journey Together,

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President, Cypress College

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