

## **NOCCCD Vaccine Mandate Student FAQ's**

### **What do students taking on campus courses need to do by November 1, 2021?**

- Students are required to submit a vaccination record showing your “full vaccination” status to your campus (details on submittal process to come). “Full vaccination” status is defined as two weeks after receiving the full course of vaccines (i.e. the second vaccine dose for the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines, or the one dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine). To meet this deadline, the final dose must be received no later than October 17.

**OR**

- If you are seeking an exemption from the vaccine mandate for medical or religious reasons (as defined by law) you must submit the proper forms to your campus for approval. Details on how to apply for an exemption will be released by September 15, 2021. To be considered excused from the vaccine mandate, students must be notified of exemption approval before the November 1 deadline.

### **What if I'm not fully vaccinated by November 1?**

- Any student taking on-campus courses who has not been fully vaccinated by November 1 will have to submit to weekly COVID 19 testing through the end of the fall semester.

### **If I have an approved religious or medical exemption, do I have to be tested?**

- Yes. Any student taking on-campus courses who is NOT vaccinated needs to be tested for COVID-19 each week. This includes students who have an approved exemption or accommodation.
- Testing will be performed for free on campus. Details on the testing process will be shared soon.

### **Do I have to be vaccinated if I am not taking classes on campus, but come to campus to access other services?**

- Students and/or any individuals seeking to use indoor campus facilities and who are not fully vaccinated by Nov. 1 may be asked to show proof of current status: either evidence of vaccination, an approved exemption, or

recent negative COVID 19 test.

- Request for proof of current status will depend on adherence to the facilities' posted safety measures. If unable to show proof of current status, you may be offered the utilization of a different facility or the option to access services online.

**What if I'm an on-campus student, not vaccinated, have no approved exemption, and decline to get tested weekly?**

- If you decline to get tested, you have the following options in regards to fall on-campus courses: apply for an "excused withdrawal with refund" (EWR); move to an online class, if available; or receive an "incomplete" for the course, if approved by your instructor.

**How do I upload proof of vaccine completion?**

- You will be able to upload proof of vaccination to a secure website and receive approval of your vaccination status. Students will be informed of the exact process and be able to upload documents by September 15, 2021.

**Will my vaccine status be private?**

- Yes, records of vaccine status will be kept private and secure in accordance to HIPAA Privacy Rules.

**What plans are being made for the spring semester?**

- The vaccine mandate means that any student who wants to take on-campus courses in the spring semester must provide proof of full vaccination or be approved for a medical or religious exemption before enrolling. Beginning with the spring semester, weekly testing will only be an option for unvaccinated students with approved exemptions who are attending in person classes on campus.
- If the correct documentation has not been filed, students will not be allowed to register for on campus courses for Cypress College, Fullerton College or NOCE.