



8/26/2021 Communication to NDNU Students enrolled for Fall 2021

NDNU Vaccine Policy and how to Submit Information

Dear NDNU Students,

NDNU is committed to protecting the health and well-being of students, faculty, staff, and administrators, their families, and the communities we serve. We also value maintaining education access and attainment for our students. We have embraced a comprehensive strategy designed to reduce the likelihood of transmission of the COVID-19 virus in our workplace and classrooms.

One component of that strategy is **requiring vaccination for NDNU employees and students who will be working and learning on campus**. The COVID-19 vaccine is safe and very effective against COVID-19, and it is the best tool we have to mitigate community spread of this virus.

NDNU will require employees and students working or learning on campus to be vaccinated by Friday, August 27, 2021. For those taking a two-dose vaccine (Pfizer or Moderna), employees must have completed the first dose of the vaccine by Aug 27, 2021, and then complete the second dose as scheduled (Pfizer doses are 21 days apart; Moderna doses are 28 days apart; J&J is a one-dose vaccine). Vaccines are easily available in San Mateo County and across the Bay Area, click [here](#) for more information or contact your healthcare provider.

Employees or students that are not yet fully vaccinated by August 27, 2021 (see definitions below), may return to campus with the requirement that they remain masked in all public settings and submit weekly COVID-19 test results using the designated online tool until they are considered fully vaccinated (14 days after final vaccine dose).

If you are not learning on campus this fall, you can still upload your vaccination information now – then we don't have to ask you again later.

Submit Vaccine Records Through Online Form

Get ready!

- Have a photo or scan of your vaccine card or your [CA digital vaccine record](#) on your phone's camera roll or on your computer (you can use either to complete the form).
- Have your NDNU ID number available.

Get started!

Check your NDNU email in the next day or so for a link to the online form where you will submit your vaccine records. (Note: we will also send this link to the personal email addresses we have on file.)

- The email with the survey link will come from institutionalresearch@ndnu.edu (be sure to check your spam filter!)
- The online form is completed in a web browser on a desktop, laptop, or mobile device.
- You do not need to download anything to complete the form.

Important Definitions

Fully vaccinated: At least 14 days have passed since the second dose in a two-dose COVID vaccine series or a single-dose COVID vaccine. COVID-19 Vaccines must be FDA approved or have emergency use authorization from the FDA, or be listed for emergency use by the World Health Organization.

Not Fully (Partially) Vaccinated: Individual has had at least one vaccine dose, but fewer than 14 days have passed since the second dose in a two-dose COVID vaccine series or the single-dose COVID vaccine was received. Until the individual meets the definition of “fully vaccinated”, testing and masking protocols for unvaccinated individuals must be followed.

Unvaccinated: Individuals who have not been vaccinated and have been approved by the University for exemption due to medical reason, disability, or strongly held religious belief. For these individuals, weekly testing, distancing, and mask wearing while on campus are required for the foreseeable future.

Exemption Request

Employees and students may apply for an exemption to the vaccine requirement based on a medical exemption, disability accommodation, or firmly held religious beliefs. Students will contact the Disability Resource Center (DRC@ndnu.edu) to discuss an exemption and complete an exemption request form.

Those employees or students with approved exemptions or accommodations may return to campus with the requirement that they remain masked while indoors on campus and submit weekly COVID-19 test results using the designated online tool.

Non-vaccinated individuals (employees or students) who do not submit regular test results using the designated online tool by the deadline each week are not permitted on campus.