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From:Patti BlairSent:Monday, August 16, 2021 3:57 PMSubject:Update: COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement and Process

Colleagues,

As you may know, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the policy <u>COVID-19 Vaccine Requirement</u> for <u>Employees and Students</u> at its August 10 meeting. The policy requires that everyone who accesses inperson, on-site campus/District programs or who participates in off-site District/college services in person will be required to be vaccinated against COVID-19, <u>effective October 15, 2021</u>, or to have an approved medical or religious exemption. Those on campus with an exemption will be required to wear a face mask and provide weekly negative COVID-19 tests.

To protect the health and well-being of students, faculty, staff, administrators, and the communities VCCCD serves, we are finalizing the processes and exemption forms for the mandate and plan to share more information with you later this week. A copy of a student communication that will be sent to all students this afternoon is included below for your information.

As a reminder, face masks are mandatory at all campuses indoors, regardless of COVID vaccination status. They can be voluntarily removed outdoors—regardless of vaccination status—or inside when eating, drinking, or working alone in a closed space. Remember to stay at least 6 feet from other people when your mask is removed in these situations.

Students and employees who are on campus or at a worksite must complete the <u>screening process</u> and wear an appropriately colored bracelet. We are working with Ventura County Public Health to offer mobile vaccinations and testing on-site and will share this information with you and students in our next communication.

Thank you for everything you are doing to make it a great semester.

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