

SUNY COVID Vaccination Policy

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I. General

For the purposes of this policy, "students" are defined as any individual matriculated or otherwise enrolled full-time or part-time at SUNY Facilities as well as visiting, auditing, exchange, continuing education, and international students taking in-person courses at SUNY. The definition of students does not include individuals whose student status is solely due to participation in workforce training programming arranged directly through their employer, unless specifically designated by the campus. The definition of students also does not include high school students in concurrent enrollment courses offered by a SUNY campus and located at the student's high school or other third-party location. Instead, such high school students must follow the health and safety guidelines and protocols of the physical location where they receive instruction. If the course is delivered at their high school or a third-party location, they must follow the local school district guidelines or the guidelines of the third party. However, if a student takes a course in a SUNY facility, they must follow the applicable SUNY Facility guidelines, including this policy.

This policy is subject to change based upon guidance from governmental authorities or if new federal and/or NYS COVID-19 related requirements are imposed.

II. COVID-19

All students are strongly recommended to stay up to date on their vaccinations as defined by the [Center for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#), including obtaining any booster authorized by the FDA and recommended by the CDC for their age group. While not required at this time, SUNY reserves the authority to impose a requirement for any vaccination or booster at any time because of changes in local conditions or requirements imposed by Federal, State, or local authorities.

All SUNY faculty and staff are also strongly recommended to get vaccinated.

Certain employees, students, and volunteers at healthcare facilities, including SUNY healthcare facilities and hospitals, or any external location, may be subject to mandatory COVID-19 vaccination pursuant to relevant regulations and policies.

Masks and COVID-19 testing should be available readily as needed, and use should be encouraged. Wearing a high-quality mask along with vaccination and self-testing helps reduce transmission of COVID-19.

Campuses have the discretion to impose additional health and safety restrictions as they deem appropriate for their Campus Communities in accordance with applicable guidance as issued by the Chancellor. The campus must work with campus stakeholders in the development of any additional changes and broadly communicate to the entire college community. Campuses should continue to monitor local conditions carefully and make changes as appropriate. Campuses should refer to accompanying guidance for additional information regarding this policy.