

October 21, 2021

Hello students,

As President Joyce Judy shared in her message last Friday, CCV will be implementing a vaccination requirement for students beginning in January. All students taking in-person or hybrid classes at a CCV center will need to provide proof of vaccination or have an approved exemption before registering. The week of October 25, a secure web form will be sent to all current students via CCV student email and text. The form will also be made available in the portal. This is a cell phone camera friendly application designed for easy use. Easy-to-follow directions will be provided on the webform. We've addressed questions you may have about this requirement below.

I'm proud of the cooperation CCV students have demonstrated throughout the pandemic, maintaining vigilance and adhering to CCV protocols to keep each other safe. Please continue to do your part to support the health and safety of those in our academic centers and surrounding communities.

Frequently Asked Questions

Will all students be required to be vaccinated for COVID-19?

All students taking in-person or hybrid classes at a CCV center in Spring or Summer 2022 must be vaccinated or have an approved exemption. Vaccinations for students taking online based courses only are encouraged but not required.

Why are we implementing this policy?

Requiring vaccines, paired with other prevention measures, will help the College reach the highest level of protection possible, reduce potential COVID exposures, limit teaching and learning disruptions, and safeguard the learning community.

Is a booster shot also required?

Not at this time.

If I already had COVID-19 and recovered, do I still need to get a COVID-19 vaccine?

Yes, you will still be required to show proof of vaccination or receive an approved medical or religious exemption.

Will I still be required to wear masks in academic centers?

At this time universal masking continues to be required for all students, faculty, and guests regardless of vaccination status.

How do I submit proof of vaccination?

You will submit your proof of vaccination through a secure web form provided by the College. Links will be sent to all current students via CCV student email and text, and also made available in the portal. New students will receive the link with their application materials. This is a cell phone camera friendly application designed for easy use.

What if I have difficulty uploading my documentation?

Staff will be available to walk you through the use of the app as needed. You may also submit your vaccine card in-person at a CCV academic center.

Can I email CCV my documentation?

No. Verification cannot be accepted by email.

What if I can't locate my vaccination card?

For a lost vaccination card, there are three options:

- 1) Email vaxrecordrequest@vermont.gov, put "records request" in the subject line
- 2) Mail request to: Immunization Registry, 108 Cherry Street, Burlington, VT 05401
- 3) Call 888-688-4667 option #3

What is considered vaccinated?

If you have received both shots in a two-shot sequence (Pfizer or Moderna), or the Johnson & Johnson one shot, you are considered vaccinated.

Will I still be allowed to register if I have a vaccine scheduled but haven't had it yet?

Students may register for online or hybrid classes at any time. Once you have provided proof of vaccination, you may register for in-person or hybrid classes. In **very unique** circumstances, your advisor may be able to register you, however without providing vaccination status documentation by January 7, 2022, you are subject to removal (de-registration) from any pending in-person courses.

How can I apply for a medical or religious exemption?

The link you will receive via your student email and text will ask several questions and direct you to the exemption application form if requested. This form will also be found on the CCV web page under CCV COVID-19 information. Directions on where to submit exemption requests are on the form.

If I receive a medical or religious exemption what guidelines must I follow when attending an in-person or hybrid class at a CCV academic center?

Exempt students will follow all the same Vermont Department of Health guidelines and current CCV health protocols that are in place at the time. An exemption will not be publicly disclosed. On-going testing for exempted students is not currently required, but CCV is reviewing the directives on this issue carefully.

If I have not verified my vaccination status and am taking only online based courses, can I still access academic center resources for appointments, learning centers, and computer labs?

Yes. All students, regardless of vaccination status, are welcome in CCV centers. Everyone will still need to follow the health protocols in place at that time.

What happens when a class is scheduled to run-in person at a location that is not an academic center?

Students who are taking classes at a high school, tech center, hospital, or other location that is not a CCV academic center will need to follow the requirements in place at that location. However, students will be required to be vaccinated if the class is held at a CCV center. This is true of both credit and non-credit classes.

General COVID-19 information questions?

Vermont Department of Health: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19>

Thank you,
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