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## Dear Student:

As we prepare to return to in-person classes and operations for the fall semester, Widener University is establishing a COVID-19 vaccination policy that requires all faculty, staff, and students who will be on our campuses to become fully vaccinated by August 2. Our goal is that all members of the Pride may safely experience Widener's hands-on, inclusive, and personalized learning environment in person.

Widespread vaccination will help us return to the robust campus experiences we enjoyed before the pandemic, both in and out of the classroom. It will allow us to eliminate our masking and distancing requirements this fall. It will allow more of our students to attend in-person events, play intramural sports, dine at the same table with friends, attend performances, cheer for our student athletes, and most importantly, have more in-person interactions with their classmates and faculty.

Please do not wait to get vaccinated. Everyone who is not enrolled or teaching in a fully online program must upload their completed COVID-19 vaccination record by August 2. You will be considered fully vaccinated after the second dose of a two-dose vaccine, or after one dose of the single-dose vaccine.

To upload your completed vaccination record, visit <u>widener.medicatconnect.com/home.aspx</u> and sign in with your Widener credentials. To upload your record, click upload and select the appropriate file. If you have already completed this process, you do not need to do it again. If you need help accessing the vaccine, please email us as soon as possible at covid@widener.edu.

Exceptions to the vaccination policy will be considered **only** for documented medical conditions. Questions regarding student medical exemptions can be directed to Student Health Services at (610) 499-1183. Students enrolled in fully online degree programs and individuals participating in online-only continuing education programs who will not be on campus in person for any reason will not be required to adhere to the policy, but are still strongly encouraged to become vaccinated.

If you have questions about the vaccination policy, a list of frequently asked questions is available on MyWidener and at <a href="https://www.widener.edu/coronavirus">www.widener.edu/coronavirus</a>. You may also direct questions to <a href="mailto:covid@widener.edu">covid@widener.edu</a>.

Thank you all for your participation in creating a safe working and learning environment. I look forward with excitement to the upcoming fall semester and a return to the vibrancy that we all enjoy on our main and law campuses.

With best wishes for a happy and healthy summer,

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