Vaccine Policy:
As we approach the end of the 2021-22 school year and the beginning of the YouthForce Internship (YFI) Summer 2022 in-person cohort, the health and safety of interns and staff is at the forefront of our minds. COVID-19 rates in our community have continued to decrease and access to vaccines for the virus are widely available. Our health and safety standards are aligned with NOLA Public Schools and recommendations from the CDC.

For these reasons, the YouthForce Internship program requires students to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 before the program starts on June 1, unless you have a documented medical or religious exemption. We also are encouraging interns, who are eligible, to receive the booster to maximize their protection from the virus.

Fully Vaccinated Means:
- Your second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine was on or before May 18.
- Your single dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine was on or before May 18.

Verifying Vaccine Status:
Students accepted to the Summer 2022 Internship program will be required to upload proof of vaccinations by May 18. Students who do not meet the deadline will not be allowed to participate in the program.

Acceptable forms of vaccine verification:
- CDC Covid-10 Vaccination Record Card
- LA Wallet Smart Health Card (on App) or its equivalent from other states
- A record of immunization from a healthcare provider or pharmacy
- A copy of medical records documenting the vaccinations
- A copy of immunization records from a public health, state, or tribal immunization information system
- A copy of any other official documentation that contains the type of vaccine administered, date(s) of administration, and the name of the healthcare professional or clinic site administering the vaccines.

In order to ensure proper protocols are followed, the intern’s vaccine status will be shared with their internship placement.

Medical/Religious Exemption:
The medical or religious exemption form and accompanying documentation must be uploaded by April 22. Exemption forms will be reviewed by a committee and final decisions sent out before May 18. Students who do not meet the deadline will not be allowed to participate in the program.
Common Concerns

I’m already fully vaccinated and boosted.
Provide an acceptable form of vaccine verification to the “Intern Documents” form on Formstack by May 18.

I have received the first dose of a 2-dose vaccine and plan to get the 2nd dose.
Provide an acceptable form of vaccine verification proof of the first dose and then provide proof of the second dose by May 18.

I am not vaccinated and plan to submit an exemption request.
Submit the medical or religious exemption form to the “Intern Document” form on Formstack by April 22.

I am not vaccinated and do not plan to submit an exemption request.
Since vaccination or an exemption request is a requirement, you will not be able to participate in the Summer ‘22 cohort.

Where can I get a vaccine/booster?
Click on the following links for information on how to obtain the COVID vaccine:

● Vaccination Station: https://nolapublicschools.com/vaccinationS
● Vaccines - NOLA Ready: https://ready.nola.gov/incident/coronavirus/vaccine/calendar/

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