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Message to Black Hawk College Employees

A Note from President Wynes

Black Hawk College continues to adjust and adapt to the direction of the virus and the valiant attempts to keep all of us safe through vaccinations and testing. As you may know, Governor Pritzker's Executive Order announced a series of additional vaccine requirements that will go into effect September 5, 2021. Students, faculty and staff in higher education are required to be fully vaccinated; those who are unable or unwilling to be vaccinated must be tested for COVID-19 weekly. Fully vaccinated means 15 days after your final dose (second shot of Pfizer or Moderna, or first shot for Johnson and Johnson).

Under the Governor's Executive Order the College is now required to collect information on the vaccination status for employees and students. It was once optional, but it is now mandatory that we collect this information.

We have developed a simple form that goes directly into a database with restrictive access. If you have not yet submitted your vaccination card please do so by clicking [HERE](#).

If you are unable or unwilling to be vaccinated, you will be required to participate in SHIELD testing weekly. This testing is free of charge and will be available on both the East Campus and Quad-Cities Campus. Updated times, locations and instructions may be found on [myBlackHawk](#).

This is a very fluid, uncertain and demanding time for us. We will get through it by working together and supporting each other.

Tim Wynes
President