COVID-19
With the Center for Disease Control (CDC) classifying Mendocino and Lake Counties having high/substantial COVID community transmission rates, the Mendocino-Lake Community College District adopts the following procedures to mitigate the risks surrounding exposure to COVID-19 by requiring that all students who are on district premises be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

Scope of Coverage
Effective January 3, 2022, all students must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or opt for regular (weekly) testing. The district will accept any COVID-19 vaccine that has been FDA Emergency Use Authorized (EUA).

Mendocino College, under the supervision of the Director of COVID-19 Response, will deploy processes to track the vaccination status and test results of students in a secure system designed to protect the privacy of students in accordance with applicable laws.

All students are required to follow the Standards of Student Conduct. Maintaining health and safety guidelines is an important responsibility of all members of the campus community. Students enrolled in on-ground courses who do not comply with these procedures may be disenrolled. Students who do not comply with these procedures or falsify information may face discipline up to and including expulsion.

This administrative procedure shall be effective immediately and shall remain in effect until the Mendocino-Lake Community College District determines that this administrative procedure is no longer necessary. This procedure may be amended or revoked at any time.

Proof of Vaccination
Once fully vaccinated against COVID-19, students must provide to the district proof of vaccination and a signed Confidentiality of Medical Information Act release in order to be physically present on district sites.

The district will accept either 1) a vaccination card, or 2) another form of documentation from a vaccine provider.

Students who have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19 are required to continue to abide by all district policies, procedures, and protocols regarding COVID-19 until the district directs otherwise.
COVID-19 Screening Test Requirement

Students may opt into a regular district approved COVID-19 screening test process in lieu of submitting proof of COVID-19 vaccination status. Regular is defined by CDC guidance.

In the case a student who is not vaccinated tests positive for COVID-19; the student is required to quarantine as defined by the local health order. Subsequently, the weekly screening test obligation is waived for 90 days post-positive test date in accordance with testing best practices as long as a student remains symptom free. Should a student experience continued symptoms, they should seek medical advice of their personal physician.

Unvaccinated students declining to opt for the COVID-19 testing requirement may enroll in online courses and receive non-instructional (student services, library, tutoring) services through remote means.

Accommodations may not be possible where it would result in an undue burden to the district.