September 3, 2021

Dear CSU Students,

On August 26, 2021, Illinois Governor JB Pritzker issued an executive order mandating that all Illinois higher education students be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. You are considered FULLY vaccinated if 2 weeks have passed since receiving the single-dose vaccine or the second dose in a two-dose series of a vaccine authorized for emergency use, licensed, or otherwise approved by the FDA. CSU is reviewing vaccination records to ensure that students are following the state mandate.

**If You Are Not Fully Vaccinated - Testing Required by Sunday, Sept. 5**

Students who are not fully vaccinated, regardless of whether an exemption has been received, must receive a COVID-19 test by 5pm Sunday, September 5 and test once-weekly moving forward. Weekly testing is not required after students are fully vaccinated. Students must submit their COVID-19 testing results to the Med Proctor at http://www.medproctor.com by 5pm on Sunday, Sept. 5. Instructions for Med Proctor are attached.

Students will be barred from campus, as required by the state mandate, effective Tuesday, September 7 if they are not fully vaccinated and do not provide proof of COVID-19 test by Sunday, Sept. 5 at 5 pm.

**Impact of Failing to Provide Weekly COVID-19 Tests for Not Fully Vaccinated Students**

CSU will progressively discipline unvaccinated or not fully vaccinated students who do not start participating in weekly COVID-19 testing. This requirement includes students who received an exemption from receiving the vaccine. Progressive discipline will follow the CSU Student Code of Conduct and can include being barred from campus (including classes, campus activities, and the residence hall), as required by state mandate, suspension, and other disciplinary actions may be applied.

If a student misses a class due to not receiving a COVID-19 test, it is an unexcused absence. Students are required to notify their professors that they will miss class.

**Securing a COVID-19 Test**

You can come to campus if you first participate in testing. On-campus COVID-19 testing is available weekly in the CSU Library Cafe at the times listed below:
- Mondays & Wednesdays: 9-11 am
- Thursdays: 12-3 pm
- Fridays: 9 am-12 pm

You can find additional COVID-19 testing options at https://www.dph.illinois.gov/testing.
Providing Proof of Vaccination Status: If you are FULLY vaccinated and have not provided information to the Wellness Center, please submit a photo or scan of your vaccination record to Med Proctor at http://www.medproctor.com

$50 Incentive: All students who show proof of their COVID-19 vaccination will each receive a $50 payment incentive.

Questions? Call the Wellness Center at (773) 995-2010.

Chicago State University’s policy is in accordance with the executive order issued by Governor JB Pritzker on Aug. 26, 2021 mandating all Illinois higher education students and employees be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 by Sept. 5, 2021.

We appreciate your partnership as we all work hard to comply with the new state mandate and keep our students, faculty, and staff safe. The best way for all of us to fully experience an enriching campus environment is to continue to follow the latest public health guidance, which includes getting vaccinated.

Let’s have a great semester and together we can keep the Cougar community healthy.