



## Community Update - Vaccine Clinic, Campus Conversation, and Operations Update

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Dear Colleagues,

We are looking forward to meeting as a community on Thursday, August 5th at 7:00pm via [Zoom](#) for further conversation and considerations about the start of the academic year. In the meantime, we are writing to share some updates. There is a lot of information to cover, but most importantly, we are asking community members to please report your vaccination status [here](#) if you haven't already. As well, please consider getting vaccinated if you can and haven't yet done so.

### Vaccination Information and Clinic

Congratulations to Katherine Ameku on winning a \$200 book voucher, and Madeline Goeke on a year's parking pass! We are asking all students, faculty and staff to register their [vaccine](#) or [test](#) before **August 10th**, on which date we will announce one more \$200 book voucher and one more parking pass. On that same date, we will release a list of students who are not released to attend classes due to a lack of vaccine or testing registration. This will be shared only with faculty and staff.

We have opened up **registration for Coe's on-campus vaccine clinic on August 16th**. It will be an easy walk across campus to Eby! Please take a moment to register in advance for the clinic [here](#). You can get started with the vaccination process or get your second dose of Pfizer if eligible. (Please direct questions to your PCP or pharmacy where you got the first dose.)

### Coe Operations

We remain committed to in-person classes, social and athletic experiences, and connecting in person to and with each other. We know how important the depth and breadth of our students' experience is to a vibrant campus community.

We are also absolutely aware of the evolving public health guidance, and Coe will continue to monitor the guidance and our internal benchmarks in ways that will allow for a residential living and learning experience while managing the risks around COVID in our community. Various leadership and working groups are meeting regularly to discuss updated information and considerations. We will continue to respond to new and updated information as quickly and as clearly as possible, while recognizing we may need to adapt along the way.

## Masking guidelines

Just one of many topics currently being monitored is the CDC guidance regarding masks. As guidance and benchmarks are evaluated in this area, we are considering various options for beginning the school year and larger events safely, and we will continue to communicate additional information as it is available. In the interim, we would ask that everyone continue practices that began this summer so that we continue to cultivate a campus culture that centers on care for those who need it. This would include planning to always have a mask with you when on campus in indoor spaces so that it can easily be worn, if the situation warrants. Please discuss participants' needs and comfort level with wearing masks during meetings. If anyone in a meeting requests that masks be worn, please be supportive of the safety and vulnerability of others and do so. If you are the leader or person of authority in a meeting or conversation, please consider power dynamics and make it comfortable for participants to share their wishes. While we hope and expect this won't be necessary in the long run, we are responding to a particular variant at a particularly challenging time of the year, and we ask for your support as we work through the next few weeks as a community.

## Campus Update

We recognize there are many more questions about upcoming events, about how to talk with people about masks and vaccines, as well as your own individual circumstances to consider. Please bring your questions to the campus conversation, as we want to hear our community's feedback as we continue to plan for the return of our student body.

Please continue to reach out with questions, feedback, or other considerations, and we hope you'll join us Thursday for some conversation as we navigate through this together as the Kohawk community can only do.

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