

Faculty and staff,

I'm sharing with you some information I just emailed students regarding their eligibility for Covid-19 vaccinations.

Students,

A quick update including some new information regarding vaccinations.

First, please continue to be careful these next few weeks. We know that with the end of the pandemic in sight it is hard to keep our guard, but we must continue to be vigilant. Cases, and more transmissible variants, are continuing to spread nationally, particularly among young people. Especially at social gatherings, wear your mask and maintain social distance so that we can end this semester on a strong note.

If you have symptoms or have been contact exposed, it is extremely important that you contact the Health Center for evaluation and testing at 434-395-2102. And once again, if you have symptoms or are contact exposed while away from campus, or are awaiting test results – do not return to campus. Contact the Health Center for guidance.

Vaccinations:

A reminder that in our Piedmont Health District people 16-64 with a [broad range of underlying conditions](#) including asthma, obesity, and diabetes are eligible to register for vaccinations. You are also eligible if you are a student teacher, restaurant worker, or retail worker. Visit vaccinate.virginia.gov to register. Our local CVS, just a few blocks from campus on the corner of Griffin and High streets, is administering vaccinations and you can search availability and register at www.cvs.com.

All of Virginia will move to Phase 2 by April 18, meaning all adults should be eligible by then at the latest. If our region moves to Phase 2 before then we will let you know immediately.

The Health Districts that include Richmond, Henrico, Chesterfield, Hanover, Goochland and Charles City have just moved to Phase 2. That means residents should be eligible to receive a shot there, even without qualifying underlying conditions. You can register with the state site, or contact CVS and Walmart stores near your home to sign up.

Longwood is in constant communication with the Virginia Department of Health. Vaccination supply continues to be very tight. If we are allocated doses and able to offer vaccinations to students on campus before the end of the academic year, we will let you know as soon as possible. In the meantime, we encourage you to register and pursue whatever opportunity you may have to receive a vaccination. We will be in touch as soon as we have further information.

Stay safe,

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