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To Cal Maritime Cadets:

I am writing to update you about some changes to Cal Maritime’s plans for fall quarter. We are excited for you to join us and want to ensure everyone is healthy and safe as we begin the semester. Under the CSU policy already communicated, everyone who will physically be on campus at any time during the fall semester must either fully vaccinate and confirm with Health Services their vaccination status or receive a medical or religious exemption. This means that cadets must be in compliance with the policy by the time they physically arrive at campus or risk exclusion from university activities.

– Cadets not complying with the CSU policy will not be permitted to move on campus and may be disenrolled from their classes. The deadline to notify us of your vaccination status is **August 31**.

  ● If you have not notified us of your status, you will not be permitted to move into the residence halls and may be disenrolled from classes.

– Fully vaccinated means that 14 days have passed since the final dose of vaccine. Cadets who have received at least one dose but are not fully vaccinated may come to campus pending proof of full vaccination status. Partially vaccinated cadets should send their first shot status with Health Services. In addition, partially vaccinated and cadets who declare a medical or religious exemption must present a negative test from a test taken at a medical office in the last 72 hours before arrival to campus, and test weekly until fully vaccinated. They are also required to wear a mask at all times (including outdoors) until fully vaccinated. Failure to complete the process and become fully vaccinated will be deemed non-compliance with the policy.

– If you are partially or fully vaccinated but have not yet informed the university of your status, submit documentation of your vaccination information to Health Services at healthcenter@csum.edu or if you qualify for a religious exemption, please contact Disability Services at scase@csum.edu, and Health Services for medical exemption. This must be done as soon as possible, or you may be disenrolled from classes. Cadets who have exemptions must wear a mask at all times, bring a negative Covid test result taken within 72 hours of coming to campus (submit to Health Services) and submit to weekly testing.

Per President Cropper’s letter on August 18 everyone must mask indoors, except when doing so would be unsafe (for example when working with chemicals that require respirators or other protective face coverings) or impractical (for example, while eating or showering, or when alone in a private room or office with the door closed). Masks are required in the residence halls in common spaces as well.
In closing, thank you for your patience and diligence as we adjust our policies to keep everyone safe while also ensuring that we deliver the highest-quality education. We are so excited for your return to campus and will be relying on each one of us to keep our campus safe and healthy.

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