

**SONOMA COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO 21-21
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE SONOMA COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT
GRANTING AUTHORITY TO DEVELOP A DISTRICT VACCINATION/TESTING PROGRAM
TO FACILITATE THE PROTECTION OF THE FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS WHO
PARTICIPATE IN DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency due to COVID-19 and recognition of the unprecedented public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the Governing Board of the Sonoma County Junior College District ratified a Proclamation of a State of Emergency, declaring an emergency condition and delegating authority to the Superintendent/President or designee to take any and all actions necessary to ensure the continuation of public education, and the health and safety of the students and staff at the District Sites; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa Junior College is a U.S. Department of Education "Vaccine Champion College" and has demonstrated a commitment to educating the college community about vaccines, providing resources for outreach to vulnerable populations, and by continuing to provide easy access to vaccinations to employees and students; and

WHEREAS, Governor Newsom encouraged all local government employers to adopt a protocol to combat the spread of COVID-19 and protect vulnerable communities similar to that announced for state employees, requiring personnel to submit proof of vaccination or submit to weekly surveillance testing; and

WHEREAS, the District leadership team has considered the Governor's mandate for state employees, the recent orders from the California Department of Public Health, and the increased case positivity rates in Sonoma County, and has recommended that the District implement a similar local vaccination/testing program; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted in Education Code Sections 70902 and 76403, the Governing Board has determined that a local COVID-19 vaccination/testing program shall be developed and implemented for the Sonoma County Junior College District;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Governing Board of the Sonoma County Junior College District hereby directs and delegates to the President/Superintendent, or designee, the authority to carry out this Resolution and develop a District program that requires the following for all employees and volunteers who are assigned to work on-site and/or who access District sites, and all students who enroll in on-site classes and/or utilize on-site services:

- Through December 31, 2021: either provide proof of full vaccination or submit to weekly testing; AND
- Beginning January 1, 2022: provide proof of full vaccination.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Governing Board of the Sonoma County Junior College District hereby delegates to the President/Superintendent, or designee, the authority to carry out

this Resolution and ensure that exceptions to the vaccination/testing policy be carefully considered, that potential partnerships and incentives be fully explored, and that all appropriate collective bargaining obligations are observed.

The foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Sonoma County Junior College District on September 14, 2021, by the following vote:

Student Trustee Anetra McCartney *	_____
Trustee Dorothy Battenfeld	_____
Trustee Marianna Martinez	_____
Trustee Caroline Bañuelos	_____
Trustee Maggie Fishman	_____
Trustee Jeff Kunde	_____
Trustee W. Terry Lindley	_____

* Advisory Vote

Ayes: _____ Noes: _____ Absent/Abstaining: _____

Frank Chong
Secretary, Board of Trustees