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# Governors State University

## Office of the Dean of Students

Dear Students,

On Thursday, August 26, 2021, Governor JB Pritzker announced in the attached press release that all Illinois higher education students and employees are required to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Individuals must receive the first dose of a two-dose vaccination series or a single-dose vaccination by September 5, 2021. Second doses of the vaccine must be received by 30 days after the first dose. Once vaccinated, students must upload proof of vaccination to [MedProctor](#).

### How to Upload Proof of Vaccination

1. Visit [www.medproctor.com](http://www.medproctor.com).
2. Click "register" and create an account using your GSU email address.
3. Upload an image of the vaccination record. Select ***"Submit your health forms for free without the upgrade."***
4. Save a copy of the confirmation e-mail for your records.

MedProctor is available 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. CT via live chat at [support.medproctor.com](http://support.medproctor.com). You may also email [help@medproctor.com](mailto:help@medproctor.com).

**If you have lost your vaccination card or do not have a copy**, contact your vaccination provider directly to access your vaccination record. If you cannot contact your vaccination provider, contact your state health department's immunization information system (IIS). You can find state [IIS information on the CDC website](#). Vaccination providers are required to report COVID-19 vaccinations to their IIS and related systems.

### How to Get Vaccinated

All Illinois residents over the age of 12 are eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine at no cost and proof of immigration status is not required to receive the vaccine. To find a vaccination center near you, go to [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov).

Walgreens and Governors State will offer the Pfizer COVID vaccine and the fall influenza (flu) vaccine and on September 2, 2021, from 12 - 7 p.m. in E-Lounge. COVID vaccinations will be provided on a walk-in basis – no appointment is needed. Schedule an appointment for the flu vaccine [online](#). While an appointment is preferred, walk-ins are also welcome.

Additional vaccination opportunities at Governors State are forthcoming.

#### [Testing Requirement for Unvaccinated](#)

**Individuals who do not receive the vaccine or those who opt out for medical reasons or based on a sincerely held religious belief will be required to get tested for COVID-19 at least once per week.** Details about testing will be communicated closer to the vaccination deadline.

You are encouraged to check your GSU student email for timely and important information at least once a day, Monday – Friday. For the most up-to-date information about the university's response to COVID-19, monitor the university's [COVID-19 website](#).

Sincerely,

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