

## **State of Illinois COVID-19 Vaccination/Testing Executive Order Requirements**

### **Frequently Asked Questions – Students**

#### **Am I required to be fully vaccinated to attend classes?**

In compliance with Governor J.B. Pritzker's Executive Order 2021-20, COVID-19 Executive Order No. 87, students attending in-person or hybrid classes need to be vaccinated or have their first dose of a two-dose series or their single-dose vaccine by September 19, or undergo COVID testing at least once a week.

***Students must upload proof of vaccination into CLEARED4 by September 19<sup>th</sup>.***

For all health & safety guidance, visit [www.morton.edu/covid-19-morton-college-response/](http://www.morton.edu/covid-19-morton-college-response/)

#### **Do I need to be vaccinated by September 19 in order to attend in-person classes, per the mandate?**

Governor Pritzker issued Executive Order 2021-20, COVID-19 Executive Order No. 87, makes it necessary for all educators and staff working pre-K through college, college students, and health care workers to be vaccinated or have their first dose of a two-dose series or their single-dose vaccine by September 19, or undergo COVID testing at least once a week.

Morton College has established a HIPPA-Compliant online verification platform through CLEARED4, that students can use to submit proof of COVID-19 vaccination or weekly results of COVID-19 testing.

During the verification process, students should continue attending classes following the current COVID-19 protocols and mask guidelines. We know that vaccinations save lives, and everyone who is able to get vaccinated is encouraged to do so.

Morton College has partnered with the Cook County Department of Public Health to offer COVID-19 vaccinations on Tuesday, September 28. For more information visit [www.morton.edu/covid-19-morton-college-response/](http://www.morton.edu/covid-19-morton-college-response/)

#### **I want to claim exemption from being vaccinated what should I do?**

In the state of Illinois, religious and medical exemptions are the only recognized exemptions from getting vaccinated. Students who claim a religious or medical exemption will still have to test weekly for COVID-19 if they come to campus.

## **Submitting Vaccination Documentation**

### **How can I submit my vaccination verification records?**

Students can provide proof of vaccination through the HIPPA-compliant online verification platform CLEARED4.

CLEARED4 is a user friendly and simple way to track your Covid-19 test and Vaccination status. To use the system, there is no app to download and username/passwords to remember. We hope you will find it very simple to use.

### **How can I use CLEARED4?**

All students will receive an email invitation from Morton College's online verification platform, CLEARED4. No app download, log-ins, or passwords are needed to use CLEARED4.

The email will provide a secure link that opens your personal CLEARED4 interface. You can open this link on any feature phone, smart phone, tablet or computer that has an active internet connection.

Please note your private link will never change, so you can bookmark it in your browser, or save to your mobile phone desktop.

If you are having any technical issues with using CLEARED4, please contact [CovidVaccine@morton.edu](mailto:CovidVaccine@morton.edu)

### **Your Health Data**

Once you have uploaded your COVID-19 vaccine card or the test results, you can access the information. As a security measure, you will be sent a one-time text code to access your health information. This will provide you a secure way to access and digitally share your health records.

### **Personal Settings**

You may access your personal profile page by clicking the gear icon on the upper right corner of the screen. This is your user profile page.

You may customize your language, your reminder preference: SMS and/or Email and your reminder time.

### **What is the deadline for uploading or submitting my vaccination or testing verification?**

All educators and staff working pre-K through college, college students, and health care workers to be vaccinated or have their first dose of a two-dose series or their single-dose vaccine by September 19, or undergo COVID testing at least once a week.

Because of the high volume of submissions, we are likely to see after uploading your vaccine documentation, there will be some lag before it appears in the Morton College's system.

**What if I experience flu-like symptoms after being fully vaccinated or I get a positive result on a COVID-19 test? Does that mean I cannot attend classes?**

If you feel unwell or are experiencing flu-like symptoms, you should remain at home and, consult with your healthcare provider.

If you have a positive COVID-19 test, please also contact Community Health Nurse, Dana Kraft at [DanaKraft@morton.edu](mailto:DanaKraft@morton.edu).

**How will I know if my fellow students attending class or accessing college facilities are unvaccinated?**

Due to HIPAA Rules, the college cannot disclose health information.

**Who needs to receive COVID-19 testing and how often?**

Individuals who are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19 need to receive weekly testing. Every seven days, a new COVID-19 test result will need to be uploaded to CLEARED4.

SHIELD IL is conducting COVID testing on-site. The COVID-19 test is administered for free.

Testing is conducted in Room 176C on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2 p.m.- 4 p.m.

To get tested, individuals should create an account on the SHIELD IL portal and schedule their test appointment. Please use the URL and agency code below to create your portal:

[https://shieldillinoisportal.pointnclick.com/login\\_login.aspx](https://shieldillinoisportal.pointnclick.com/login_login.aspx)

Students: 9y0t3ugx-stu

Please bring a photo ID and the QR code provided when you schedule your appointment.

**How should I respond if a fellow student asks me about my vaccination status?**

You do not have to disclose your vaccination status to anyone. This is considered medical information that is protected by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). If someone asks you about your vaccination status, you can simply respond that you are following the college's required protocols. However, you may respond if you are comfortable sharing that information.

