Exemption Request Information for Students

The West Valley-Mission Community College District (WVMCCD) has a process in place for any student to request a medical or religious exemption to the vaccination requirement.

Exemptions to the vaccination requirement are extremely limited and only available for certain medical conditions and sincerely held religious beliefs.

Request a Medical Exemption

To request a temporary or permanent medical exemption, a student must complete all of the following steps:

1) Select a Vaccination Status using the COVID-19 COMPLIANCE DECLARATION FORM:

- I am fully vaccinated.
- I have received at least one dose of a vaccine, but I am not yet fully vaccinated (as defined above).
- I have not yet been vaccinated, but I will be getting vaccinated before November 1, 2021.
- I am not vaccinated, and I do not plan to be vaccinated.
- I plan to request a medical or religious exemption from the vaccination requirement.

2) Complete Medical Exemption Form

Complete the Student Medical Exemption Form, which includes two sections:

   a. The student fills out section 1.
   b. A licensed physician fills out section 2.

3) Complete the COVID Medical Information Waiver Form:

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4) Obtain a Written Statement from Medical Provider

Provide a written statement from a medical provider exempting you due to a disability or serious medical condition. The Statement must:

- Be submitted on the doctor's office letterhead
- Contain the doctor's printed name
- Contain the doctor's license number
- Contain the doctor's signature
- Contain the date the statement is issued

5) Email Exemption Documents

Email both documents from step 2, 3, and 4 to the following email: Covid.healthservices@wvm.edu.

You will be notified of the status of your exemption request after it has been evaluated and approved or denied. Please allow two weeks for review.

Request a Religious Exemption

To request an exemption based on sincerely held religious beliefs, a student must complete all of the following steps:

1) Select a Vaccination Status using the COVID-19 COMPLIANCE DECLARATION FORM:

- I am fully vaccinated.
- I have received at least one dose of a vaccine, but I am not yet fully vaccinated (as defined above).
- I have not yet been vaccinated, but I will be getting vaccinated before November 1, 2021.
- I am **not** vaccinated, and I **do not** plan to be vaccinated.
- I plan to request a medical or religious exemption from the vaccination requirement.
2) **Complete the Religious Exemption Form:** If a student objects to the District’s vaccine mandate based on a sincerely held religious belief, the student must complete and submit the corresponding Religious Accommodation Request Form for COVID-19 Vaccination.

3) **Complete the COVID Medical Information Waiver Form:**

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4) **Email Exemption Form and Signed Waiver:** Students should submit the form and waiver by email to the corresponding VPSS at their respective college:

   a. **West Valley College Students:** Submit to VP of Student Services:  
      vp.studentservices@westvalley.edu

   b. **Mission College Students:** Submit to VP of Student Services:  
      MC.VPSS@missioncollege.edu

Please allow two weeks for your religious exemption documents to be reviewed.

**Deadline for Students Requesting Religious Exemption for Spring 2022:**

Students who are planning to enroll for in-person coursework for the Spring 2022 term must submit their exemption request one week prior to the beginning of the term. No religious exemptions will be accepted after **5pm on Monday January 24th.**