



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER UNIVERSITY

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Re: Proof of full vaccination on campus

As of October 4th, the provincial government will be implementing their Proof of Full Vaccination Policy. You can access the province's policy here: [Nova Scotia's Proof of Full Vaccination Policy](#). This new policy will have implications related to the StFX community's access to events and activities.

The province provides a simple list of when proof of full is required and has tasked institutions to translate and implement the enforcement of this requirement on campuses. The information below provides high-level direction to help the campus community understand when proof of full vaccination is going to be required on campus. Please note that we recognize there may be nuances to the province's direction, and that the campus community might produce scenarios for which there is no clear response. In those cases, we invite the campus community to reach out to Randy Peters in our Risk Management Office for further direction: rpeters@stfx.ca.

When Proof of Full Vaccination Is Required on Campus

In essence, the province's Proof of Full Vaccination Policy will require members of the campus community to show proof of vaccination status when attending events that are open to the public. This includes many activities that regularly occur on campus such as sporting events, access to the fitness or other leisure facilities (such as dance space within the Keating Centre), attending theatre or concerts, attending public academic talks, and the Art Gallery, just to name a few.

Attending An Event Where Proof of Full Vaccination Is Required

Students, faculty, and staff who are attending events/activities open to the public will have to show proof of vaccination upon entry to the event. Event organizers or facility employees will request proof of full vaccination from all incoming participants. Participants who do not have proof of full vaccination will not be allowed entry and will be asked to leave. Security will be contacted when an individual without proof of full vaccination does not follow instructions to leave.

Event planners should check with Risk Management if they have questions regarding whether their event requires proof of full vaccination: rpeters@stfx.ca.

When Proof of Full Vaccination Isn't Required

Events or activities that are closed to the public – that is, those events or activities that only include StFX students, staff, and/or faculty – will not require proof of full vaccination to participate. This includes classes, dining in meal hall, house or society meetings, intramural participation, etc. These events cannot include sign-ins or guests, as they are strictly for the StFX community only. Advertising for such events must be internal and must explicitly state that it is a closed event. Event organizers are responsible to ensure that non-students, non-faculty, or non-staff are not at the event. Organizers may contact Security if they have a member of the public not willing to leave the event.

Other exemptions as noted by the province include StFX's Health and Counseling Centre, retail spaces such as Starbuck's or other dining outlets (other than Morrison Hall), the StFX Store, personal services such as the post office on campus or the Campus Clipper, and faith institutions such as the StFX Chapel. You will not need proof of vaccination to access these locations/activities.

Where Can I Get My Proof of Full Vaccination?

If you are uncertain of how to obtain your vaccination record, access the [online CANimmunization portal](#) provided by the province. Please note the portal will request the last four digits of your Canadian provincial or territorial Health Card number and email address you used to book your COVID-19 vaccination(s).

If You Haven't Yet, Get Vaccinated

Finally, the very best way to ensure your health and safety, as well as having access to most activities and events is to ensure you are fully vaccinated. There is a drop-in mobile vaccine clinic scheduled at the Keating Centre on campus from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday, October 4th. To schedule a vaccination appointment any other time, you can either book online (<https://novascotia.flow.canimmunize.ca/en/9874123-19-7418965>) or by calling 1-833-797-7772 (7 a.m. to 7 p.m., 7 days a week). You need to call from a Canadian phone number and be in Canada when you call.

If you have further questions, please contact Randy Peters, rpeters@stfx.ca.

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