

September 24, 2021

Dear Colleagues and Students:

These are ever-changing times. We know there are a number of hurdles to overcome; collectively we will accomplish the Chancellor's directive and guidance by focusing our efforts on these two priorities:

- To safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of our faculty, staff, and students
- To enable students to progress toward their educational goal

Positive COVID Cases

This week there was one reported student cases and no employee cases.

VaxTrak and Testing

Thank you for making sure NHCC had 100% compliance with the State's vaccine/testing policy. If you are currently full-time online please remember you have to complete VaxTrak before you come back to campus. Here is the link to VaxTrak <https://forms.office.com/r/7P1Z6xT2u0>

Testing Update: Fairview is unable to provide testing for us on campus so we are now negotiating with Northland Health. As soon as plans are finalized, all employees who signed up for weekly testing will be notified.

For more information about the Employee Vaccination Policy, [view the Minnesota Management and Budget \(MMB\) HR/LR Policy #1446](#), or [view the COVID-19 FAQs for state agency employees](#).

NHCC Vaccine Clinics

There will be a vaccine clinic on October 8 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Center for Business & Technology Grand Hall (CBT 195). The two-dose Pfizer vaccine will be administered. They will administer first and second dose vaccines. They are unable to administer booster shots. The clinic is open and free to employees, students and community, and no advance registration is required.

MDH has a clinic at the Mall of America that is open Wednesday-Friday from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This clinic is administering the Pfizer vaccine to eligible individuals age 12 and up. They are not giving booster shots at this time. There are also several metro area [YMCA locations hosting vaccination clinics](#). If you are unable to attend the vaccine clinics, [visit the Find Vaccine webpage](#) to search a location and date that works for you.

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