



May 28 Memos on obtaining vaccination bracelets for students, faculty, and staff

FOR STUDENTS:

As announced earlier this week, USJ is following CDC guidance regarding COVID vaccinations and lifting mask and distancing requirements on-campus for fully vaccinated students and employees. Human Resources has been providing employees with an “I am COVID Vaxxed at USJ” bracelet to employees who meet the criteria for full vaccination. Beginning Tuesday, June 1, Student Health Services (SHS) will provide this same bracelet to students who provide sufficient proof of full vaccination. The purpose of this procedure is to reassure others, especially those who cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons, that anyone who is not wearing a mask indoors on campus has been fully vaccinated. USJ encourages all students to get the COVID vaccine unless medically unable to do so. Students in nursing, PA, and pharmacy programs without a medical exemption on file will likely be required, in the future, to be fully vaccinated for clinical placement participation.

To obtain a bracelet, students must complete a form that can be found on MyUSJ under Student Health Services (SHS) and provide proof of vaccination, such as an image of their vaccine card. Students should download Microsoft Power Apps to access this form on mobile devices. All instructions are found on MyUSJ or via the email sent out on May 28, 2021 to your usj.edu email.

Once SHS verifies the submitted information, students may obtain a bracelet by visiting SHS during office hours in their new office located in The Beekley Center for Student Health and Wellness on the first floor of the O’Connell Athletic Center. Office hours are Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., and **masks are required for entry**. Students enrolled in the School of Pharmacy may obtain their bracelet from the administrative offices on the Hartford campus once SHS has verified their submitted information.

Some temporary additional office hours have been added to accommodate students who have evening or Saturday classes and are listed below. For after-hours appointments, students must submit their documentation at least two days in advance.

Saturday, 6/12	8 – 8:30 a.m., by appointment only
Saturday, 6/26	8 – 8:30 a.m., by appointment only
Saturday, 7/24	8 – 8:30 a.m., by appointment only

Students whom SHS has confirmed as fully vaccinated will no longer have to complete the Daily Attestation form when utilizing USJ Wi-Fi and will not be required to quarantine or be tested if asymptomatic post-exposure.

When on campus, employees and students wearing this bracelet will only be required to wear masks to enter The Gengras Center, the School for Young Children, and Student Health Services. Employees and students who are not wearing this bracelet must continue wearing masks at all times while indoors on campus, unless alone in a private office, and must wear one outdoors when in the vicinity of the Gengras Center or School for Young Children.

Students with questions or those who need to make appointments to obtain a bracelet outside of normal office hours should contact Student Health Services at 860-231-5530 or healthservices@usj.edu.

FOR FACULTY & STAFF:

As announced yesterday, USJ will be following CDC guidance regarding COVID vaccinations and lifting mask and distancing requirements on-campus for fully vaccinated students and employees. Human Resources will provide an “I am COVID Vaxxed at USJ” bracelet to each employee who provides a copy of their COVID vaccine card or equivalent proof of vaccination. Student Health Services will be administering a similar procedure for students. Student workers may follow the procedures below for employees. The purpose of this procedure is to reassure others, especially those who cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons, that anyone who is not wearing a mask indoors on campus has been fully vaccinated.

When on campus, employees (and students) wearing this bracelet will only be required to wear masks to enter The Gengras Center, the School for Young Children, and Student Health Services (now located in The Beekley Center on the first floor of the O’Connell Athletic Center). Employees and students who are not wearing this bracelet must continue wearing masks at all times while indoors on campus, unless alone in a private office, and must wear one outdoors when in the vicinity of the Gengras Center or School for Young Children.

It is totally up to you if you choose to submit proof of vaccination and receive a bracelet but if you choose not to, you must comply with the rules for unvaccinated individuals.

We encourage all employees to get the COVID vaccine, but USJ is not requiring that employees be vaccinated.

Submit your vaccine card via:

- Email: hr@usj.edu
- Text: 860.338.0502
- In person: Mercy Hall, 1st floor (M-F 8:30am-4:30pm or by appointment)

Employees who submit their vaccine card may pick up their bracelet in the Human Resources Office, M – F, 8:30 – 4:30. Bracelets will be delivered to faculty, staff, and students at the XL Center.

Once you receive a bracelet, you can stop submitting the Daily Health Assessment and Contact Tracing Log.

Questions? Contact Deborah Spencer via [email](mailto:deborah.spencer@usj.edu) or 860.231.5390.

