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Dear MiraCostans:

Happy Valentine's Day! Hope you enjoy some appreciation, love, and well wishes today!

As part of MiraCosta College's safe, steady, and sustainable approach to COVID-19 protocols and procedure, we are on track to return our scheduled on-ground and hybrid courses on Tuesday, February 22. In San Diego County, the number of COVID-19 positive cases is significantly declining and the number of people in the hospitals continues to decrease.

All MiraCosta College course sections scheduled as on-ground or hybrid will transition the week of February 22. As we return to campus, please find the following updates:

MASK MANDATE

Many of you will have heard news that the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) is letting its statewide indoor mask mandate [expire on February 15th](#).

ⁱⁱ Additionally, San Diego County Public Health has announced it will follow CDPH guidance and not institute any local mandate. However, individual organizations may enforce their own face covering rules.

Face coverings are an important factor in the layered COVID-19 mitigation plan at the District. MiraCosta College is committed to providing a safe and healthy learning environment. In the interest of public health, and to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, **MiraCosta College will continue to require everyone inside a District building to wear a CDPH-approved facial covering at all times until further notice.**

The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) recommends indoor masking with good fit and good filtration for everyone in areas of [substantial or high transmission](#)ⁱⁱⁱ. San Diego County's case rate is still above "high" levels despite cases dropping at nearly 50 percent per week. Thank you for your consideration and please be well and safe.

COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC

MiraCosta College and Champions for Health have teamed up once again to provide free COVID-19 vaccines to the North County community. Starting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 15, 2022, MiraCosta College staff, students, and the community are welcome to walk up and get a COVID-19 vaccine provided by Champions for Health on the MiraCosta College Oceanside Campus. Please share this information with your students and with

community members.

COVID TRACING

Please continue to complete your daily home screening and scanning of QR codes when entering and exiting MiraCosta College facilities. To download the application on your smart device, visit miracosta.edu/app.

ALL DISTRICT WEBINAR

Mark your calendars for Thursday, February 17, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. The vice presidents and I will provide District updates as we continue our process of returning to campus. Link for the webinar: <https://miracosta-edu.zoom.us/j/93386223315>

RETURN TO CAMPUS APPRECIATION RECEPTION

To celebrate the return to campus for employees and students, please join us on all three campuses Tuesday, February 22 and Wednesday, February 23. More information on location and hours to follow during the All District Webinar on Thursday.

MiraCosta College appreciates your commitment to students and ability to be nimble as we respond to the needs of our students.

Stay Healthy, MiraCosta!

Sincerely,

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[\[i\] CDPH Mask Guidelines](#)

[\[ii\] CDC Risk Levels](#)