

## **MANDATORY COVID-19 VACCINATION**

InspireNOLA Charter Schools is committed in protecting the health and overall wellness of its students, staff and school community. As both the Orleans Parish School Board and the broader New Orleans community put additional measures in place that work toward the safe continuation of work and other activities, we also embrace a more comprehensive strategy designed to reduce the likelihood of transmission of the COVID-19 virus while keeping our scholars and school community healthy and in person for learning experiences. This approach contributes to the overarching duty of InspireNOLA to provide and maintain a workplace that is free of known hazards by safeguarding the health of our employees and their families, our students and visitors, and the community at large from infectious diseases that may be reduced by vaccinations.

In light of the U. S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's determination that COVID-19 vaccines are generally safe and effective, InspireNOLA Charter Schools has required all persons employed by InspireNOLA to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 with a vaccine approved by or authorized for emergency use by the U. S. Food & Drug Administration OR submit evidence of a negative PCR test each Monday morning.

InspireNOLA Charter Schools, following the direction and mandate of New Orleans Public Schools will also require all students to have first vaccine shot administered by February 1, 2022, to attend InspireNOLA schools or have a waiver granted. School sites will start to verify vaccine cards or wavier forms for each class starting Thursday, February 3, 2022. We ask that all parents follow the district mandate regarding wavier or vaccines.

All InspireNOLA students who participate in extracurricular activities must be fully vaccinated. School sponsored event attendees must be either fully vaccinated or provide evidence of a negative PCR test administered within the previous 72 hours of the event.

## **EXEMPTIONS**

Families may request religious, medical, or disability-based exemptions utilizing the provided waiver form. Upon request for exemption from this district/school policy. Exemptions forms must be signed and completed by families and returned by to the school by February 1, 2022. Additional exemption forms can be found on InspireNOLA website.

https://inspirenolacharterschools.org/resources/safety measures