

## **Mandatory Vaccine Rules for Loudoun Chamber Event, Committee Meeting Participation**

***Approved by the Loudoun Chamber Board of Directors on Wednesday, August 25, 2021***

Because Loudoun County is currently experiencing an increase in COVID-19 cases, defined by the Centers for Disease Control as a substantial spread, the Loudoun Chamber is introducing additional safety measures for all in-person activities, beginning September 7, 2021.

These measures are intended for the sole purpose of keeping our members, staff and guests as safe as possible when they are engaged in Chamber sponsored activities. The Chamber will continue to monitor COVID-19 guidance from the CDC, Virginia Department of Health and Loudoun Health Department, and adjust these measures in the future, as needed.

These rules include:

- 1) **Vaccination Requirement:** All members, guests or others attending an in-person Loudoun Chamber organized meeting or event – with limited exceptions detailed below - must be fully vaccinated, as [defined by the CDC](#). All attendees will be asked to provide their physical COVID-19 vaccine card, a photo of their vaccination card, or their [Health Pass by CLEAR](#) record, or similar electronic vaccine record, before being allowed to enter an event. You can request digital proof of your COVID-19 vaccine from the [Virginia Department of Health](#).
- 2) Upon a member's or guest's request, Chamber staff will record their vaccination status for more seamless entry at future Loudoun Chamber meetings and events in 2021. This is purely optional.
- 3) The Chamber will consider requests for exemptions for medical or disability reasons, or sincerely held religious beliefs. Request for exemptions, and related documentation, must be submitted no less than three full business days prior to the event. If an exemption is granted, an attendee must provide a negative COVID-19 test result taken within 48 hours prior to the event, and must wear a face covering for the entirety of the event.
- 4) Fully vaccinated individuals will not be required to wear facial coverings while at a Loudoun Chamber events. Vaccinated guests are welcome to wear facial coverings, at their own choosing.
- 5) All event and meeting attendees will be asked to complete this [Health Self-Assessment Check](#) prior to the event they are attending. This Health Self-Assessment Check will also be available on site at the event.
- 6) As always, please stay home, if you are not feeling well. If you believe you may have COVID-19, or have been in contact with someone who may have COVID-19, please consult with a medical professional and adhere to these [CDC guidelines](#).

**Committee Meetings** – Only those individuals that are fully vaccinated for COVID-19 are allowed to enter the Loudoun Chamber's offices, for any reason, including the meetings of Chamber committees.

To allow all members to participate in Committee meetings, the Chamber has upgraded conference audio-visual equipment to provide a more engaging virtual experience for those participating remotely.

**LeadShare** - All LeadShare groups are strongly encouraged to meet in a virtual or online environment, or in a hybrid in-person/virtual environment when available. LeadShare groups that meet in-person are further encouraged to limit participation to vaccinated individuals only.

LeadShare groups that wish to meet in-person, whether fully or with a hybrid virtual component, must adhere to these safety practices:

- 1) Always maintain physical distancing of six feet or more from all individuals, when together in an indoor space.
- 2) Mandatory use of face masks or coverings, supplied by the individual, while inside the meeting venue. Masks may be removed for eating and drinking.
- 3) Practice frequent hand washing, use of hand sanitizer and avoid high touch surfaces.

**Young Entrepreneurs Academy** – Rules for the participation of all students and adult volunteers for the 2021-22 Class Year are patterned after LCPS rules, which are mandated by the State Health Commissioner, at the Governor’s Direction. (*Separate attachment*)