

Wartburg College COVID-19 related Domestic Travel Vaccination Policy  
Effective Jan. 1, 2022  
Updated Feb. 4, 2022

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Travel course/activity \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of travel \_\_\_\_\_

All participants are required to carefully read this document in its entirety and to acknowledge understanding of their responsibility by signature below.

- *The document is relevant for May Term travel courses, music ensemble tours/performances, Wartburg West, Des Moines Urban Studies, student-led service trips, faculty/student conference attendance, and similar college-sponsored domestic activities.*
- *Domestic athletic travel will follow guidelines established by external athletic governing bodies.*
- *Requirements subject to change based on evolving guidance from national, state, local resources, and campus policies.*

### **Vaccination Policy**

Participants in college-sponsored domestic travel will be required to adhere to the policies of host institutions/organizations which may require proof of COVID-19 vaccination and/or booster shot.

### **Unvaccinated participants**

An unvaccinated individual may participate in college-sponsored domestic travel if none of the host institutions/organizations require proof of COVID-19 vaccination and/or booster shot. If the travel itinerary includes multiple locations and any of those locations require a vaccine and/or booster shot, unvaccinated individuals will not be able to participate in any of the experience. **Individuals who are not able to comply with this policy will not be penalized academically.**

Unvaccinated participants who meet the conditions to travel will be required to test for COVID-19 prior to the departure date. Given the evolving nature of testing guidance, testing protocols will be shared with travel leaders in the weeks prior to departure. Any participant who receives a positive test result during pre-departure testing cannot participate in the planned travel and activities.

### **Submitting proof of vaccination**

Proof of COVID-19 vaccination must be submitted no later than 60 days prior to planned travel. Proof of vaccination can be submitted through the college's COVID-19 portal on <https://www.wartburg.edu/knights-care/>. If required, proof of booster shot must also be submitted through the portal. **At this time, the CDC still considers a person fully vaccinated two weeks after receiving one dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine or the second dose of either the Pfizer and Moderna.** If you received a different vaccine, please contact Ryan Callahan at [ryan.callahan@wartburg.edu](mailto:ryan.callahan@wartburg.edu) to clarify your vaccination status.

Information and documents submitted through the portal will be available only to those who have a need to know about the information, and its use will be confined to determining a participant's ability to participate in college-sponsored domestic travel or related activities such as internships.

**Financial Responsibility Requirements for participants in college sponsored domestic travel**  
Participants in college-sponsored domestic travel are responsible for all costs associated with pre-travel vaccination, boosters, and any required pre- and post- COVID-19 testing.

In addition, participants on college sponsored domestic travel should rely on personal medical insurance to cover expenses related to health care required during their travel. If an uninsured student participant is interested in purchasing medical insurance, they can speak with the Counseling Center staff.

I have read the information above and understand and agree with this information.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signed document should be returned to the travel leader and copied to the Study Away Coordinator at [kathleen.sihler@wartburg.edu](mailto:kathleen.sihler@wartburg.edu) (WBC 118).

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