



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Students

1. DO I NEED TO BE FULLY VACCINATED TO BE ON CAMPUS?

Beginning October 4, students coming to Keyano College campuses must provide proof of vaccination with at least their first doses of a COVID-19 vaccine approved by Health Canada no later than September 20, 2021 and be fully immunized no later than November 1, 2021. You will need to show proof of vaccination. This also applies to contractors, tenants, patrons, and visitors.

- Fully vaccinated means that it has been 14 days since receiving all required doses of a COVID-19 vaccine approved by Health Canada.
- For all two-dose vaccines, this means you must receive your first dose by no later than September 20, 2021, and your second dose by no later than October 18, 2021.

2. WHAT HAPPENS IF I AM NOT VACCINATED OR NOT FULLY VACCINATED?

It's not too late! If you are not yet vaccinated and need to know where to go, there are many options available. Visit the Alberta Health Services website for more information.

Keyano College will be holding an on-site vaccination clinic in the Syncrude Sport and Wellness Centre on: Wednesday, September 29 - 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

3. WHAT HAPPENS IF I RECEIVED MY FIRST VACCINATION DOSE AFTER SEPTEMBER 20?

If you received your first dose after September 20 you will need to provide a negative test results. Tests must be Health Canada approved rapid antigen, rapid Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) or lab based PCR test completed within the previous 72 hours. Tests must NOT be from Alberta Health Services or Alberta Precision Laboratories.

Keyano College will be conducting random audits and you may be asked to show documentation of your negative result.

Rapid testing will not be accepted after October 31, 2021.

4. WHO PAYS FOR COVID-19 OR PCR TESTING?

Keyano College will pay for the testing for a limited period until a student becomes fully vaccinated on November 1. This service will be offered to students who receive their first vaccine dose after September 20 or demonstrate a commitment to become fully vaccinated by November 1.

Keyano College Health Services is working with a local Health Services provider to administer testing. The services will not be on campus and require students to travel to the service provider's place of business.

5. WHAT IF I DECIDE NOT TO BE VACCINATED, CAN I PRESENT A NEGATIVE COVID-19 OR PCR TEST IN LIEU OF VACCINATION?

Yes, but cost of testing will be at your expense and only until November 1. After November 1, you will not be able to continue in your program. It is better to get vaccinated to minimize disruption to your studies.

6. IF I AM FULLY VACCINATED, DO I HAVE TO FOLLOW OTHER SAFETY MEASURES LIKE WEARING MASKS AND PHYSICAL DISTANCING?

A proof of vaccination program will exempt the College from physical distancing and class capacity restrictions only. Masks are required in all indoor spaces.

7. IF I'VE ALREADY HAD COVID-19, DO I STILL NEED TO BE VACCINATED?

Yes, while contracting COVID-19 provides you with some antibodies, the vaccinations provide you with better resistance against the new and more contagious variants. . The Government of Alberta recommends that people who previously contracted COVID-19 also get vaccinated. Vaccinations are safe and effective for individuals who have already had COVID-19.

8. HOW DOES KEYANO COLLEGE DEFINE "FULLY VACCINATED"?

Fully vaccinated is defined by Alberta Health Services (AHS) as those individuals who, at least 14 days prior to arriving on campus:

- have received complete doses of a Health Canada approved vaccine:
 - two doses of the AstraZeneca/COVIDSHIELD, Pfizer or Moderna vaccine (or a combination thereof);
 - one dose of the Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) vaccine

OR

- have received a non-Health Canada authorized vaccine plus an additional complement of a Health Canada approved mRNA vaccine (i.e. Pfizer or Moderna).

9. DO I NEED TO PROVIDE PROOF THAT I'VE BEEN FULLY VACCINATED?

Yes, Keyano College will provide students with two options to capture proof of vaccination.

- A secure web-based solution will be available to students on September 24 where you can upload your proof of vaccination and complete a form. Once completed, your proof of vaccination documents will be deleted so the college will not retain student personal health records.
- Present your proof of vaccination in person at a pre-scheduled session prior to October 4. Dates, time and location will be communicated shortly.

10. HOW WILL THE COLLEGE ENSURE COMPLIANCE?

Students will be issued a Keyano College vaccination ID similar to your student ID, but in a gold colour. This ID must be worn visibly when on campus. It is not a substitute for proof of vaccination off-campus. Campus Security will perform random checks for compliance.

The Registrar's Office will audit the names of students who provide proof of vaccination or a valid negative COVID-19 or PCR test against lists of registered students by course and program. Those students who are not vaccinated or do not provide a negative COVID-19 or PCR test will not be able to attend class.

11. WHAT PROOF OF VACCINATION CAN I USE?

If you are an Albertan, you can access a convenient card-sized proof of vaccination on alberta.ca/CovidRecords. Other acceptable forms of proof include:

- Other provincial vaccine identifications
- International vaccine documentation (translated to English).

12. IS MY VACCINE INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL?

All personal health information is confidential and will not be shared except as strictly required to enforce the policy. Your vaccination documents will be purged electronically after we confirm proof of vaccination.

13. AFTER OCTOBER 4, HOW CAN I FINISH MY STUDIES IF I AM NOT VACCINATED?

Students enrolled in courses with a mandatory in-person component are required to complete the mandatory in-person components as set out in the course syllabus. We strongly encourage you to become vaccinated to continue your studies. Refer to FAQ 1 through 5.

Students wishing to withdraw from one or more fall semester courses may do so without academic or financial penalty until the end of the term. There is no refund for Health and Dental Insurance if you have accessed services.

14. WHAT IF I CANNOT BE VACCINATED?

An extremely limited number of individuals cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons. Generally speaking, these are limited to those with an allergy to one or more components of the vaccine or who had a severe adverse reaction to their first dose of the vaccine.

Requests for accommodation will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Individuals who request an accommodation based on physical or mental disability as a protected ground under the Alberta Human Rights Act must provide objective medical documentation (completed by a qualified healthcare practitioner) that explains in detail the medical basis on which they cannot be fully vaccinated against COVID-19, for how long the individual has had the medical condition(s), for how long the medical condition(s) is expected to last, and any other relevant information requested by the College.

Individuals who request an accommodation based on religious belief as a protected ground under the Alberta Human Rights Act must provide documentation (completed by a faith group/religious leader) that explains in detail the basis of the applicant's faith/religious beliefs which are contrary to being vaccinated against COVID-19, how long the applicant has been a member of the faith group/religion, and any other relevant information requested by the College.

Approval of an exemption on religious grounds is not automatic. Due to the nature of this exemption request, Keyano College Legal Counsel will review such applications. Students will be advised of the outcome of their request.

The College will provide exemption forms on September 27 that will be posted on our website.

15. WILL I BE ALLOWED TO WITHDRAW FROM MY PROGRAM/COURSES IF I CHOOSE NOT TO GET VACCINATED?

Yes, Keyano College will extend the withdrawal deadline with full refund, for courses and programs until October 11, 2021 for students who choose not to get vaccinated. Request for withdrawal after that date will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. (This is only applicable for students who want to withdraw due to vaccination choice, not applicable for academic purposes). Students who request exemption of vaccination for medical or religious belief will also be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

16. WILL I BE REIMBURSED FOR ALL OF MY TUITION AND FEES IF I WITHDRAW FROM MY PROGRAM/COURSES BECAUSE I CHOOSE NOT TO GET VACCINATED?

Yes, Keyano College will reimburse tuition and fees for those who are withdrawing from courses.

17. WILL KEYANO COLLEGE BE PROVIDING ACCOMMODATIONS FOR ONLINE DELIVERY FOR STUDENTS WHO CHOOSE NOT TO GET VACCINATED?

No, Keyano College will not be providing additional online delivery of courses and programs. Courses that are scheduled in face to face, online, or HyFlex format for Fall 2021 will resume in their original format on October 4, 2021.

18. CAN I DEFER MY PROGRAM ACCEPTANCE TO ANOTHER SEMESTER OR ACADEMIC YEAR IF I CHOOSE NOT TO GET VACCINATED?

As Fall 2021 delivery has already started, Keyano College is no longer able to defer acceptance into future academic years or semesters. Students who choose to withdraw due to non-vaccination will need to reapply for a future semester or academic year if they choose to do so. Applications for 2022-23 will open October 1, 2021.

19. WILL KEYANO COLLEGE BE ACCEPTING ANY LIABILITY FOR STUDENTS WHO GET VACCINATED AND EXPERIENCE ANY SIDE EFFECTS OF THIS VACCINE?

No, Keyano College will not be accepting any liability for individuals who experience side effects from vaccination.

To align with Alberta Health Services and the Government of Alberta guidelines, Keyano College is choosing to implement the Student Proof of Vaccination Program under CMOH Order 042-2021.

20. IF I LIVE IN RESIDENCE AND CHOOSE NOT TO GET VACCINATED, WILL I HAVE TO MOVE?

Yes, Keyano residences are there for Keyano College full-time students. If you choose not to get vaccinated, you will be required to withdraw from the program and therefore will no longer be eligible for Keyano housing.

