

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

INTERNS AND OBSERVERS

COVID AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND AGREEMENT TO ADHERE TO UNIVERSITY PROCEDURES

Please read carefully, sign and date and turn in as a supplement to the Interns/Observers paperwork.

I understand that an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 or any infectious disease exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is highly contagious and can lead to severe illness and death.

Vanderbilt is following public health guidelines to reduce the spread of infection; however, Vanderbilt cannot guarantee that I/my child will not become infected with COVID-19. I acknowledge that neither I/my child can be protected from all risk of illness caused by COVID-19.

By permitting the minor to participate in the program named above, I, on my own behalf and on behalf of myself/my child, voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19 or any infectious disease.

I understand that the rules and regulations of the Program and Vanderbilt are designed for the safety and protection of all participants, and I hereby agree that I/my child will abide by these rules and regulations. I understand that failure to comply may result in my/my child's dismissal from the program.

I, on my own behalf and on behalf of myself/my child, release Vanderbilt from any claim based on the spread or contraction of COVID-19 in connection with the minor's participation in the program, and agree to hold Vanderbilt harmless from any third-party claim based on that participation.

Participant name (Printed)
Participant Signature
Parent Name (Printed)
Parent Signature
Date

Vanderbilt Fall 2021 Health and Safety Practices for In-Person Children and Youth Programs

Parents,

We celebrate the return to in-person youth programs at Vanderbilt and appreciate your partnership in upholding our policies designed to keep your child safe during pandemic operations. With that in mind, we'd like to provide you with the following general information about our programs this Fall.

Face Covering/Masks: Required indoors in all spaces by children over age two and adults interacting with children (regardless of adults' vaccination status). Adults at indoor drop off/pick up are required to wear masks. Outdoors, masks are not required when able to physically distance.

Physical Distance: 3' from others indoors when masked in a classroom setting, 6' when eating with masks off.

Snacks/Meals (where applicable): individually packaged items or individual meals for each participant. Participants should not share food. 6' physical distance when actively eating or drinking.

Access to campus buildings: Academic buildings are locked to visitors. Please ensure any late arrivals or early pick ups are arranged in advance.

Illness/Symptoms of Illness: Arrive healthy. Parents should monitor their child's health daily leading to each drop off. Do not send your child to the program if they are exhibiting signs of illness. If your child receives a positive COVID test result within 48 hours after being present in the program, contact the program leader; this may result in the need to perform contact tracing within the program.

Child is on quarantine/isolation order from school or another activity: Do not send to program until quarantine/isolation period has ended.

Practices for considering close contacts for COVID in a K-12 classroom setting: Vanderbilt adheres to CDC guidance for K-12 classroom settings and will also apply close contact exceptions as per TN Department of Health guidance, as appropriate. If your child is determined to be a close contact, you will be contacted. Vanderbilt works with the local health department on reporting positive cases of COVID. For the health and safety of both children and adults, programs where masking and distancing cannot be universally applied may be temporarily suspended while close contact determinations are being made.

Vanderbilt faculty and staff and vaccination: Vanderbilt has implemented mandatory COVID vaccination policies for its faculty and staff personnel but does not provide guarantees or assurances that all adult personnel in the program will be vaccinated because some faculty and staff may have been granted approved (medical or religious) exemptions from the vaccination requirement.

Child safety and misconduct prevention: Safety and youth protection is a priority at Vanderbilt. In addition to the health and safety practices around pandemic operations, Vanderbilt personnel are required to maintain compliance with annual child abuse and misconduct prevention training. All adult personnel in programs are mandatory reporters for concerns of child maltreatment. Parents may report any concerns to the program leader or to Vanderbilt internally at protectionofminors@vanderbilt.edu.

We thank you for your partnership in meeting these health and safety expectations. Should you have any questions, please reach out to your program contact.