

Farmingdale State College

COVID-19 Vaccination Request for Religious Exemption

Name:

Ram ID:

Date of Birth:

College Email:

Phone:

Exemptions to the COVID-19 Vaccine requirement may be granted to a student who holds a genuine and sincere religious belief that is contrary to COVID-19 vaccination. Requests for a religious exemption will be reviewed in the order in which they are received by a committee appointed by the President. All decisions made regarding such exemptions are final. A decision regarding the request will be communicated to the student via their Farmingdale State College campus issued email.

Objections to the vaccine based on scientific, political, philosophical, moral or otherwise secular opinions shall not suffice as a basis for a religious exemption and requests submitted based on such opinions will not be granted.

For consideration of a religious exemption, a student must provide an original written statement, signed and dated by the requesting student describing:

(1) the student's sincerely held religious belief or practice that is the basis for the request for a religious accommodation; and

(2) how the student's sincerely held religious belief or practice conflicts with the COVID-19 vaccination requirement. The student must detail the religious principles that form the basis of their objection and must satisfactorily demonstrate that these beliefs are genuine and sincere.

Parent or Legal Guardian must also sign if the student is under 18 years old as of the first day of class.

The student may attach supporting materials if the student so chooses. Examples of supporting materials include, without limitation:

A letter from an authorized representative of the religious institution attended by the student and/or literature from the religious institution explaining the doctrine/beliefs that prohibit COVID-19 immunization.

Other writings or sources upon which the student relied in forming religious beliefs that prohibit immunization.

Please note that the campus reserves the right to request additional documentation to support a request for a religious exemption.

Farmingdale State College STUDENT Certification

Please check each box to acknowledge - as appropriate

While my request is pending, I understand that I must comply with the College's COVID-19 related health and safety protocols (e.g., masks/face coverings, social distancing, regular surveillance testing) applicable to unvaccinated or partially vaccinated individuals as a condition of my physical presence at the College.

I must confirm with the academic program that not receiving the COVID-19 vaccination will not prevent the completion of my programmatic or curricular requirements.

If my request is granted, I understand that I will be required to comply with the College's COVID-19 related health and safety protocols (e.g., mask/face coverings, social distancing, regular surveillance testing) when present at the College.

I am aware that should a COVID-19 outbreak occur at the College that I may be excluded from all in-person classes and activities and that if I am enrolled in courses that require a physical presence on campus that I may not be able to complete my academic coursework remotely. I acknowledge that any refund I might be entitled to in the case of a COVID-19 outbreak would be subject to all existing SUNY policies.

I certify that the statement and supporting documentation are true and accurate.

Please email your completed documents using your FSC provided email account to covidexemption@farmingdale.edu

Exemption requests must be submitted by August 30, 2021.