## Seneca's vaccination policy ending Dec. 31, 2022

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TO: All students and employeesFROM: David Agnew, PresidentRE: Seneca's vaccination policy ending Dec. 31, 2022

Regretfully, but necessarily, I am announcing today that Seneca's vaccination policy will end on Dec. 31, 2022.

That means students, employees, contractors and visitors will no longer be required to be vaccinated to enter Seneca's campuses or buildings as of Jan. 1, 2023.

I am proud that Seneca was a leader across Canada with our comprehensive vaccine policy. I am proud that we have put the health and safety of the Seneca community first throughout the pandemic.

We were able to set an example for the country because, eventually, we were supported by federal and provincial policies that made vaccinations mandatory in certain circumstances.

Now, those measures are gone, and we are unable to independently and accurately verify vaccination status.

Governments at all levels have made it clear through their actions that the level of protection you have against COVID-19 has become a personal choice.

We will continue both our vaccination policy and our current approach to masking to the end of the calendar year. Our vaccination policy will expire then. Our current mask mandate – which requires masks in classrooms, labs and certain other settings – will continue until further notice.

Please make sure your vaccinations are up-to-date. The virus continues to circulate widely in the community and flu season is upon us. Getting vaccinated remains the best way to avoid serious illness or worse.

And thank you for your support. Stay well.

Visit our COVID-19 site for more information. Please direct questions to health@senecacollege.ca.

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