HAMPTON UNIVERSITY

HAMPTON, VIRGINIA 23668 Health Center (757) 727-5315 healthcenter@hamptonu.edu

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Dear Young Diplomat Parent/Guardian:

The recent COVID-19 pandemic has reinforced our commitment to ensuring the health and safety of everyone on our campus. During these trying times, we have learned and worked to stay on the forefront of the latest COVID-19 information and guidelines to keep our students, staff and faculty safe.

In accordance with the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Virginia Department of Health (VDH), as well as our University policies regarding infectious disease, students will be required to be Up to Date with the COVID-19 vaccine <u>prior</u> to your arrival on campus, unless medically contraindicated or there is a religious exemption. Up to date means a person has received all Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended COVID-19 primary series vaccines, including any booster dose. The University requires vaccinations like meningitis and varicella, etc., so requiring the COVID-19 vaccination is in concert with prior procedures to keep students, faculty, staff, as well as the community, safe.

All Young Diplomat Participants must be medically cleared to move into the residence halls and to participate in the Summer program.

The deadline for submitting medical documentation pertaining to medical clearance is May 15, 2023. The deadline for submitting any exemption request is May 15, 2023.

Required Documents Include:

- 1. Completed Application for Summer Program Participation (p.1)
- 2. Completed **Hampton University Physical Examination** form or a current physical examination form from your medical provider with signature and date. (p.2)
- 3. Completed Immunization Record form provided or a copy of immunizations from your physician's office (p.3)
- 4. Your COVID-19 vaccination card/form with the primary series as well as the booster vaccine dates

If you are submitting a Religious exemption request from the COVID-19 vaccine, you must complete and submit the Request for a Religious Exemption from COVID-19 form for review and processing by May 15, 2023.

If you are submitting a medically contraindicated request and your Healthcare Provider deems it medically contraindicated for you to receive the COVID-19 vaccination, you must complete and submit a letter from your health care provider on letterhead with medical rationale stating why the COVID-19 vaccine is contraindicated by May 15, 2023.

You may submit the above information by email healthcenter@hamptonu.edu or fax (757) 728-6612.

For more information regarding the COVID-19 vaccine, please visit www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/keythingstoknow.html. We look forward to safely welcoming our Hampton University Summer participants back to campus. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Health Center for guidance on the medical clearance process.

Sincerely,

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