

**From:** [Safer Return at Cal Poly Pomona](#)  
**To:** [Faculty](#); [Staff](#); [auxiliary staff](#); [Active Students](#)  
**Subject:** Updated Boosters at CPP Vaccine Clinics  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 14, 2022 12:03:51 PM

---



**September 14, 2022**

## News

### **Bivalent/Updated Booster at the CPP Vaccine Clinics**

In alignment with [CDC recommendations](#), the [pop-up vaccine clinics](#) at Cal Poly Pomona will now offer the bivalent/updated booster for people 12 years and older. These updated (bivalent) boosters have replaced the original (monovalent) boosters. These vaccines have been updated to target the most recent Omicron subvariant in addition to the original COVID-19 virus.

- Visit the [LA County Public Health website](#) for information on the bivalent/updated booster, as well as recommended vaccination schedule.
- Pop-up vaccine clinics are scheduled throughout September and October at Cal Poly Pomona. The clinics will offer the Pfizer vaccine for first and second shots, and the Pfizer bivalent booster. Visit the [Safer Return website](#) for dates, location and registration link.

### **Zoom Webinar for Clubs, Orgs and Event Organizers**

If you're planning an activity, gathering or event this semester, stop by the weekly Safer Return Task Force meeting to learn about guidelines and ask questions of task force members. Tomorrow, Helen Yniguez, director of special events and projects, will discuss the [current guidelines and risk mitigation efforts for events and clubs](#). She'll also answer questions about how you can host events and activities that are aligned with the latest public health guidelines. Visit the [Town Hall webpage](#) for dates, times and Zoom link.

### **What You Need to Know about COVID-19 & Safer Return**

1. Masks are strongly recommended but not required for [most indoor settings, including classrooms](#). The university provides [free PPE](#) to students, faculty, staff and visitors.
2. If you have symptoms or test positive, [complete the self-reporting form](#) and stay home. Do not come to campus until you have been contacted by the university's Safer Return Incident Investigation Team.
3. [Free COVID-19 testing](#) is available to students, faculty and staff via vending machines in the Bronco Student Center's Lyra meeting room and Secoya

Residence Hall. Weekly testing is required for individuals whose vaccination record is not up to date.

4. Get vaccinated and boosted. [Vaccines](#) are one of the most effective ways to prevent severe illness and death. The campus is hosting [pop-up clinics](#) in September and October.
5. Keep up to date with campus Safer Return efforts by checking the [website](#), reading this newsletter, attending [weekly webinars](#) or sending questions to [safereeturn@cpp.edu](mailto:safereeturn@cpp.edu).

### **Monkeypox: Monitoring and Protocols**

Cal Poly Pomona is closely monitoring the spread of monkeypox and related developments. The university will continue to follow public health reporting and notification protocols for monkeypox and report any positive cases to public health officials to conduct necessary contact tracing. It is important to note that the current risk of getting monkeypox in the general public is very low. Visit the [monkeypox webpage](#) to learn about symptoms, transmission, prevention, vaccination and other resources. Students with questions or concerns should contact Student Health at [health@cpp.edu](mailto:health@cpp.edu). Faculty and staff should contact their healthcare provider.

Monkeypox is spread by:

- Close, personal or intimate skin-to-skin or face-to-face contact
- Direct contact with the monkeypox rash, lesions, scabs or body fluids including respiratory secretions from an infected person
- Touching clothing, bedding, towels, objects or surfaces used by someone with monkeypox

Lower your risk of infection by:

- Avoiding close contact with people who have a rash or lesions that look like monkeypox
- Avoiding contact with objects and materials used by a person with monkeypox
- Washing hands often with soap and water or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer

## ***To-Do List***

### **Safer Return Training and Acknowledgement**

All staff, students, and faculty are required to complete the Safer Return Training and Acknowledgement Form. The training will provide an overview on the university's protocols and guidelines related to COVID-19.

- Staff and faculty can check their inbox for an email from [cppllearning@cpp.edu](mailto:cppllearning@cpp.edu) titled "Safer Return COVID-19 Acknowledgment Form"
- Students can access the training by visiting [CSU Bridge](#) and follow the instructions on the site

### **Daily Symptom Check**

All students, faculty, staff and visitors coming to campus must assess their personal health and screen for possible signs of illness before coming to campus. If you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms (fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, etc.), you must fill out the [Self-Reporting Form](#). If you have questions, email [healthscreeener@cpp.edu](mailto:healthscreeener@cpp.edu).

## ***FYI Only***

### **Free COVID Testing on Campus**

All students, faculty and staff can get free COVID-19 PCR tests for required and voluntary testing. Free test kits are available through a vending machine in the Bronco Student Center (Lyra meeting room) and Secoya Residence Hall (Building 74). Faculty, staff and students who are not up to date with the vaccines, including individuals with exemptions, are required to test weekly. If you come to campus any time during the week — Sunday through Saturday — you must complete your test by Friday of that week. For more information, visit the [Public Health Testing](#) webpage. If you do not have a mobile device, cannot access the vending machines or experience technical difficulties, contact Student Health Services to make alternative arrangements, including obtaining antigen tests. Call 909-869-4000 or email [health@cpp.edu](mailto:health@cpp.edu).

### **Upload Your Vaccine Record**

Uploading your vaccine record to [MyHealthPortal](#) takes just a few minutes. You'll need a photo or scanned copy of your vaccine card, and a computer or mobile device. [Follow these instructions to upload and verify your record](#). If you are having trouble with the system or have questions, email [myhealthportal@cpp.edu](mailto:myhealthportal@cpp.edu).

Visit Cal Poly Pomona's [Safer Return website](#) for information about the university's health & safety plan, operations during COVID-19, and roadmap for a phased Safer Return to Campus.

[Notification of Potential Workplace Exposure](#): View university locations of potential workplace exposure to COVID-19. The webpage is updated every business day in compliance with AB 685.

