



December 30, 2021

Dear Lemont Park District Community,

We hope this email finds you well and safe and we ask that you read this update in its entirety. On December 23rd, the Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) issued an Order requiring proof of vaccination for patrons visiting various facilities effective January 3, 2022. This mandate includes Recreation and Fitness facilities. For detailed information regarding this [Order](http://www.cookcountypublichealth.org), visit www.cookcountypublichealth.org. ***If you have any feedback regarding this Order you may contact the Cook County Department of Public Health.*** Please see the attached flyer for further details. As required, the Lemont Park District continues to adhere to all state and county mandatory orders. After thorough review of this order, guidance received from the Park District Risk Management Association (PDRMA) as well as legal counsel, the park district must comply. Therefore, this most recent mandate entails that the Lemont Park District require proof of vaccine for all CORE Members and most program participants 5 years old and over. Here are the operational updates as it relates to this order that will be effective as of **January 3rd, 2022**:

➤ **CORE Members Options –**

1. **Show Proof of Vaccinations** – Members must show proof of vaccination at The CORE Service Desk and staff will record seeing the proof digitally within the registration system. Members then can continue to enjoy the facility.
2. **Cancel Membership** – all CORE Members that decide to cancel their membership will NOT pay an enrollment fee upon rejoining. Due to these extenuating circumstances, billing will not take place until January 11th. Therefore, you have until January 10th to cancel! [Click Here to Cancel](#)

➤ **CORE Daily Fee Visitors** – Drop-in Pickleball players, lap swimmers, track visitors, open gym participants, and any other visitors five years of age and older, paying a CORE Daily Fee must show proof of vaccinations upon entry.

➤ **CORE Indoor Track** – Anyone five years of age and older visiting the Indoor Track must show proof of vaccinations upon entry at The CORE Service Desk. Staff will record seeing the proof digitally within the registration system.

➤ **General Visitors, Spectators and Parents** – All visitors five years of age and older, spectators and parents must show proof of vaccination upon entering a park district facility if they will be in the facility for more than ten minutes. This includes parents who observe their children in various programs such as swim lessons, early childhood programs, etc. Preschool drop off does not apply.



- **Current and Upcoming Programming and Special Events** – Current program and special event participants five years of age and older must show proof of vaccination at The CORE or Centennial Community Service Desk(s) and staff will record seeing the proof digitally within the registration system OR upon entry into a special event. Proof of Vaccination will now be a prerequisite when registering for a new program or special event moving forward. For current program participants who are not vaccinated, you may cancel and receive a prorated refund.
- **Rentals and User Groups** – Identifying vaccination status of rental and user groups is the responsibility of the group contact in charge and is included as part of the rental agreement addendum.
- **Lemont Park District Birthday Parties** – proof of vaccinations is required for all patrons attending Lemont Park District Birthday parties. Guests must visit the facility Service Desk to show proof of vaccination. (this is different to private rentals)
- **Exceptions** – *The following circumstances do not require proof of vaccine currently:*
 1. Children 4 years old and younger in any program (*however parents must show proof of vaccine if observing or participating in an early childhood program*)
 2. Recreation Basketball League participants offsite at River Valley School
 3. Medical Exemption – Those seeking medical exemption of showing proof of vaccinations must show proof of exemption by a medical provider AND show proof of a Negative COVID test within 24 hours of entering the facility. Both requirements are mandatory for medical exemption.
 4. Patrons visiting the facilities for **ten minutes or less** will not be required to show proof of vaccination such as preschool drop off or in-person registration.

THE ORDER REFLECTS THAT PROOF OF A NEGATIVE TEST WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN LIEU OF PROOF OF VACCINATION. And there is no exemption for religious affiliation.

Please note, acceptable “**proof of vaccination**” per this order are as follows: (1) a CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Card; (2) an official immunization record from the jurisdiction where each vaccination shot was administered; (3) an “app” that provides a digital record of vaccination; or (4) a digital or physical photo that includes the individual’s name, the vaccine brand administered, and the date(s) of vaccine administration. Any person 16 years of age or older must also show an identification card (such as a driver’s license, school ID, government ID, or passport) with information corresponding to their proof of vaccination prior to entry to any facility. Fully vaccinated is two weeks after the 2nd dose is received.



We understand the magnitude of this mandate and respect the individual outlook of each member of our community. We are working diligently to serve you and make this transition as easy as possible. **For those who choose not to get vaccinated, you may cancel your membership or program registration at any time.** As this situation is ever changing, the Lemont Park District will continue to closely monitor the ongoing COVID-19 situation and lift these requirements as soon as permissible.

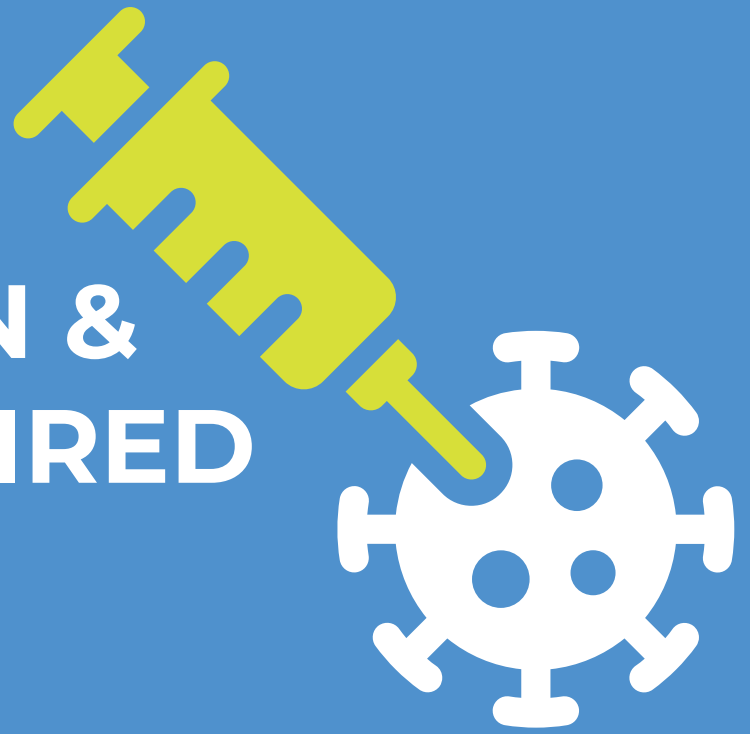
Also, please remember THE INDOOR STATE-WIDE MASK MANDATE IS STILL IN EFFECT. Please wear a face covering in all indoor park district facilities.

More than ever, THANK YOU for your continued support! We are truly dedicated to serving this great community.

Sincerely,

The Lemont Park District Staff

VACCINATION & MASKS REQUIRED



Effective January 3, 2022

Cook County requires [all patrons age 5 and older](#) to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and wear a mask to visit this location.

Valid Forms of Verification Include:

- Valid photo ID (age 16+) [and](#)
- Vaccination card
- Photocopy of vaccination card
- Digital record or app [or](#)
- Printed record from vaccine provider



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