

Frequently Asked Questions for Students as of September 13, 2021

Important Update: Students coming to campus must have proof of full vaccination or submit weekly negative COVID tests beginning on October 7, 2021. Details on where to upload your vaccination proof or weekly negative test results will be released soon.

1. I am taking an in-person class on the Laney College campus. What steps do I need to take?

Download the Campus Shield App on your phone or mobile device (Found on Google Play or Apple App Store). Instructions on how to download the App and to register are [found at the Safe Peralta site](#) and are attached to this email or you can scan the QR code below.

If you cannot download the App, come to one of the three checkpoints and they will print you a daily pass to use. If you need help getting the App set up, there will be people to help you at the checkpoints.



Check in using the App. (You can do this before setting foot on campus.). Each time you want to come to campus,

1. Open the app
2. Answer the health questions
3. If you get a green check mark screen, you may come to campus. If you get a yellow or red screen in error, call (510) 902-6022 or email campusshield1@peralta.edu to have the system reset so you can do it again.

If you have a red screen that cannot be reset because it requires further discussion, contact Dr. Mia Kelly, Director of Peralta District Health Service. Email her at mkelly@peralta.edu. If you are Students in need of health care may visit the Oakland Roots Community Health Center, located at 7272 MacArthur Blvd. Oakland, CA (510) 633-7077 between the hours of 8:30-5:00. Call the clinic first to schedule an appointment.

If you feel that you reached the red screen in error or have a yellow screen, visit one of the campus checkpoints for assistance.

Enter campus through one of the following points between 7:30am and 8:30pm. (Show your green screen when entering.)

Athletics Fieldhouse
Laney College Tower
Library
Lower Level of Building A

Lower Level of Building B
Lower Level of Building B/C (near the Cosmetology lab)
General parking Lot Entrance on 7th street between Buildings E and F
Lower Level of Building F
Lower Level of Building G
Student Center

Problems or questions? Go to the Laney Tower. It will have a printer and can print a daily pass if you do not have a phone

2. Do I need to be vaccinated?

Yes, there is a mandatory vaccination policy that includes students. The Chancellor's statement is here: <https://safe.peralta.edu/updates/campusstatus8-3-21>

For the beginning of the semester, please note that you do not yet need to show proof of vaccination, but it will be required as of October 7th. You are strongly encouraged to get vaccinated as soon as you can. To read the policy and other information see: <https://safe.peralta.edu/>. Further details on student vaccination reporting process will follow later in the semester.

3. Where can I get vaccinated?

On campus! Laney College has secured an agreement with the County to make vaccinations available **every Friday** through October 1 at the Odell Johnson Theater Lobby located at the main campus Quad from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. No appointment is necessary, just walk-up. Or, make a reservation at ([reservation links may be found here](https://my.primary.health/r/clayworthvaccine) (<https://my.primary.health/r/clayworthvaccine>))

Other options if you are in need of vaccination: contact your healthcare provider, use the free [Alameda County Public Health Department vaccination service](#), contact the Roots Clinic at 7272 MacArthur Blvd, Oakland CA. 94695 at (510) 633-7077, or visit a commercial pharmacy as most offer free vaccinations as a walk-up service.

4. I have reasons why I do not want to be vaccinated but want to attend Laney. What can I do?

The forms for students to request exemptions based on medical, disability, religious grounds, or a deferral based on pregnancy. Forms are available on the Safe Peralta website at <https://safe.peralta.edu/>. Information on how to upload the forms will be coming soon.

5. What if I am partially vaccinated?

Please be sure to get proof of your second vaccination by October 7. Save your vaccination card, as we will be asking you to submit a copy.

6. I am only studying online. Am I required to be vaccinated?

No, you are not. However, students coming to campus (for example, to pick up meals or use the library) will need to follow check-in procedures, have proof of vaccination by October 7, and adhere to District policies.

7. Do I need to wear a mask?

Yes. All individuals will be required to properly wear a face mask that covers your mouth and nose while on PCCD property.

8. Where can I be tested?

You may be tested and vaccinated at the Oakland Roots Community Health Center, located at 7272 MacArthur Blvd, Oakland, (510) 633- 7077. They are open Monday – Friday from 8:30-5:00.

Testing is available at the Kaiser Convention Center Building. [Information, including hours, may be found here.](https://covid-19.acgov.org/covid19-assets/docs/testing/free-covid-testing-flyer-eng-2021.01.25.pdf) (<https://covid-19.acgov.org/covid19-assets/docs/testing/free-covid-testing-flyer-eng-2021.01.25.pdf>)

9. What are COVID symptoms?

(1) fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher or chills; (2) cough; (3) shortness of breath or difficulty breathing; (4) fatigue; (5) muscle or body aches; (6) headache; (7) new loss of taste or smell; (8) sore throat; (9) congestion or runny nose; (10) nausea or vomiting; or (11) diarrhea, unless a licensed health care professional determines the person’s symptoms were caused by a known condition other than COVID-19.

10. If I test positive for COVID, what should I do?

Inform your instructors and notify the College by calling (510) 986-6984. Do not come to campus. You will be instructed about your on next steps.

11. What app do I need on my phone to enter the campus?

Download the Campus Shield app, which is available on Google Play and the Apple App Store.

12. What do I do if I don’t have a cell phone or other device?

Enter campus through the Laney Tower Lobby.

13. What services are available on campus?

The Bookstore, Cashier’s Office, Cafeteria, Library (open from 10-4 Monday through Thursday), or the Fab Lab (Open 9-7 M-TH) are available to students who use the campus check-in process. The computer lab in F 170 is open Wednesday 2:00-10:00pm and Thursday from 9:00-5:00pm.

14. Do I need to pay for parking during the Fall 2021 semester?

No. Parking is free for the fall term. Park in the Laney College General Parking Lot, which you can access by turning right on 7th and Fallon Streets.

15. Are security escorts available?

Security escorts are available through Marina Security campus phone 510-464-7236

16. Where can I go for guidance/information of Peralta's COVID policies?

The Safe Peralta website: <https://safe.peralta.edu/>

17. Where can I express my concerns about vaccination or other policies?

The District welcomes any and all concerns, which should be directed to hr@peralta.edu .

18. Will bathroom facilities be open?

Yes. Most bathrooms near active classrooms and service areas will be open. For any concerns or assistance with Laney College bathrooms or other facilities, call (510) 466-7236.

19. Can I drink the water on campus?

Not at this time. Please bring water from home or you may pick up bottled water free of charge at the Laney Tower Lobby, Student Center, and the Library.

20. Is the Fab Lab open this semester?

Yes. Hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

21. I want to use a computer on campus. Where can I go?

The Computer Lab in the basement of the Library will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The lab in F 170 is open on Wednesday from 2:00pm-10:00pm and Thursday from 9:00-5:00pm.