

## COVID- 19 February 14, 2022 UPDATE

Last week, the provincial government announced the end to public health orders for Covid-19 effective February 14, 2022 for the end of proof of vaccination or negative testing and March 1<sup>st</sup> for the end of mandatory masking and isolation following a positive Covid-19 test.

Due to these announcements, SaskExpress will be making the following changes to our policies.

Starting February 14<sup>th</sup>, SaskExpress will no longer be asking for proof of vaccination for our instructors or staff. SaskExpress did not have any policy on vaccinations of students and this has not changed. While we will no longer be asking for vaccination status going forward, all of our current instructors and staff are fully vaccinated, and we encourage anyone who is eligible for booster shots to get this shot when available to you.

Starting March 1<sup>st</sup>, SaskExpress will no longer mandate mask use in our facilities. We fully encourage the use of masks as an effective mitigating tool to limit the spread of Covid-19 and anyone wishing to continue wearing masks will find a welcoming space at SaskExpress.

SaskExpress will not tolerate anyone trying to intimidate those who choose to continue wearing masks, nor those who choose not to.

While there will be no provincial requirement to isolate following a positive Covid-19 test after March  $1^{st}$ , Public Health continues to recommend individuals self-isolate for five days following a positive test. Regardless of a positive test, we ask that any staff or student who is feeling unwell to please not come to SaskExpress facilities. Any staff or student experiencing symptoms while at SaskExpress will be asked to go home.

SaskExpress will continue to monitor the guidelines and recommendations of the Saskatchewan Health Authority and the Government of Saskatchewan, and may make changes to the policies listed above at any time.

Sincerely,

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