

# North Island College Return to Campus Guidelines

PHO Guidance	General Operations	Worksite	Services / Bookable Space (Libraries/Student Services/ Cafeterias/Bookstores)	Learning Spaces
<p><b>STEP 2:</b> <b>June 15th</b></p> <p><b>Criteria</b> At least 65% of the 18+ population vaccinated with dose #1, declining case counts and COVID-19 hospitalization</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Masks <b>required</b> indoors (except listed exemptions)</li> <li>Physical distancing <b>required</b></li> <li><i>BC Thrive</i> daily health check required</li> <li>If ill, isolate and contact 811</li> <li><b>Enhanced</b> cleaning and sanitization in place</li> <li>All employees and students attending campus must review area COVID-19 safety plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Barriers and/or screens in place in shared spaces where physical distancing cannot be maintained and at front-line customer-service locations</li> <li>Supervisors work with employees on a phased, <b>gradual</b> return to on-campus work and activities as required; priority on departments meeting on-campus operations, services, and instructional requirements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Limited</b> occupancies adhered to for all indoor spaces/gathering areas, with restricted seating to support physical distancing</li> <li>Masks <b>required</b> in all indoor spaces (with exceptions for eating/drinking and listed exemptions)</li> <li>Service operations continue with restrictions in place</li> <li>Organized gatherings may be booked, with a COVID-19 safety plan approved by <a href="#">Health and Safety</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Limited</b> occupancies within classrooms, theatres, and labs</li> <li>Masks are <b>required</b> in all learning spaces</li> <li>Field Schools and research in the field are <b>limited</b> to those essential, with approved safety plans</li> <li>Barriers and/or screens at tool cribs remain in place</li> </ul>
<p><b>STEP 3:</b> <b>July 1</b></p> <p><b>Criteria</b> At least 70% of the 18+ population vaccinated with dose #1, low case counts and declining COVID-19 hospitalization</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Masks <b>recommended</b> indoors (except listed exemptions)</li> <li>Careful social contact</li> <li><i>BC Thrive</i> daily health check required</li> <li>If ill, isolate and contact 811</li> <li><b>Enhanced</b> cleaning and sanitization in place</li> <li>Communicable disease plan</li> <li>Canada-wide work and recreational travel permitted</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Barriers and/or screens in place in shared spaces where physical distancing cannot be maintained and at front-line customer-service locations</li> <li><b>Increased</b> return to full on-campus work and activities, based on operational requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Priority on departments meeting on-campus operations, services, and instructional requirements</li> </ul> </li> <li><i>Supervisors will support employees' return and orientation to campus</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Limited</b> occupancies adhered to for all indoor spaces/gathering areas, with <b>restricted seating</b> to support physical distancing</li> <li>Masks <b>recommended</b> indoors</li> <li><b>Expanded</b> service operations, adhering to <i>Return-to-Campus Guidelines for Post-Secondary</i></li> <li>Organized gatherings may be booked with <b>increased capacity</b>, with a Communicable disease plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Limited</b> occupancies within classrooms, theatres, and labs</li> <li>Masks are <b>recommended</b> in all learning spaces</li> <li>Field Schools and research in the field are <b>limited</b> to those essential, with approved safety plans</li> <li>Barriers and/or screens at tool cribs remain in place</li> </ul>
<p><b>STEP 4:</b> <b>Fall Term</b></p> <p><b>Criteria</b> More than 70% of the 18+ population vaccinated with dose #1, low case counts and COVID-19 hospitalization</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wearing a mask indoors is a <b>personal choice</b></li> <li>Physical distancing <b>not required</b> – normal social contact and normal operations</li> <li>If ill, isolate and contact 811</li> <li><b>Regular</b> cleaning and sanitization in place, with cleaning products and hand sanitation available for use by personal choice</li> <li>All NIC campuses <b>open</b> to public, as normal</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Barriers and/or screens remain in front-line customer-service locations (until further notice)</li> <li><b>Full</b> return to on-campus work and activities</li> <li><i>Supervisors will support employees' return and orientation to campus</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Maximum</b> occupancies adhered to for all indoor spaces/gathering areas</li> <li>Masks are <b>not required</b> indoors</li> <li><b>Full</b> service operations with normal occupancy</li> <li>Organized gatherings can be booked with <b>full capacity</b> and <b>normal social contact</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Full</b> occupancies within classrooms, theatres, and labs</li> <li>Masks are <b>not required</b> in learning spaces</li> <li>Field Schools and research in the field are <b>not limited</b></li> <li>Barriers and/or screens at tool cribs remain in place (until further notice)</li> </ul>

\* Guidance for this document taken from [BC's Restart](#) plan and the *Return-to-Campus Guidelines for Post-Secondary*

## Masks:

**July 1 – September 6<sup>th</sup>**, mask use is **recommended** in an indoor setting.

**Post-September 7<sup>th</sup>**, mask use in all areas is based on **personal choice**.

## BC Thrive:

The Ministry of Health, in partnership with Thrive Health, created a [BC COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool](#) to provide up-to-date guidance and recommendations for testing and follow-up for COVID-19 that follows BCCDC guidance. This self-assessment tool is intended for COVID-19 only and does not replace your health care provider's advice.

## Covid-19 Vaccinations:

In Canada, receiving a Covid-19 vaccination remains a personal choice. NIC cannot require vaccinations or ask for proof of vaccination.

### When and how can I register to get a vaccine?

All people living in British Columbia who are 12 years and older can now register to book vaccines through one of three ways:

1. Online at [gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated](https://gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated) – available in 12 different languages
2. By telephone through a provincial call center (toll-free) at 1-833-838-2323 – available in 140 different languages
3. In-person at the nearest [Service BC location](#)

Everyone who would like a vaccine and who is eligible to receive one will be able to receive the first dose before July 1, 2021. Learn more about vaccination [registration and eligibility](#).

### Should I wait a while to make sure it's safe?

It's up to you whether or not you want a COVID-19 vaccination. Feeling worried or hesitant is completely normal when something is new; however, we can be reassured that Health Canada has a thorough approval process that ensures the safety of the many vaccines and medicines we take routinely. Learn more about [vaccine safety](#).

### How do I determine if the information I see about vaccines is reliable?

You may be getting information from multiple sources, which may not all be trustworthy and unbiased. Even if the information is from friends or family, you still need to assess their sources. Learn how to find [trusted sources for information about vaccines](#).

### Immunization record

You will have the option to receive a paper and/or digital copy of your immunization record. By registering for [Health Gateway](#), you will be able to access your digital immunization record. Your immunization record will be also be stored in the online provincial database, accessible to you, public health, and your doctor.

### Where can I find more questions and answers about the COVID-19 vaccine?

Visit the [ImmunizeBC](#) website and find [frequently asked questions about COVID-19 vaccination](#).

**Please contact your supervisor if you have any further questions on the *Return to Campus Guidelines*.**