Dear participants,

Please ensure that all persons you plan to bring to campus (debaters, coaches, judges, or otherwise) receive the following information and complete it in a timely manner. Especially in light of the tournament’s size and the emergence of the Omnicron variant, Georgetown will take adherence to these public health requirements quite seriously.

**Requirements for All Attendees**

**ALL in-person attendees—whether debating, judging, coaching, or simply visiting—MUST complete the following two steps:**

1. Submit either of the following options:

A.) submit proof of vaccination COVID-19; OR

B.) submit an attestation of medical or religious exemption from vaccination AND proof of a negative PCR test taken within the last 72 hours of the event.

AND

2. Complete a form that you will receive via email on the morning of your visit to campus attesting that you are symptom-free. (If you are not, you will not be permitted to visit any Georgetown-affiliated campus or building until you are symptom-free.)

**\***This is mandatory: **those who fail to complete these requirements will not be allowed to set foot on Georgetown’s campus or enter any University-affiliated building.**

**\*Everyone is asked to please submit their proof of vaccination as soon as possible.** It would be greatly appreciated if you could do it this week or next, and take care of ensuring that each affiliate of your school has completed the process. The portal is now open; details below.

\*Finally, Please Note: **This requirement does not displace the fact that everyone will still *also* be strictly required, as a matter of both DC law and University policy, to wear masks at all times while indoors.** A reminder of this requirement will be emailed out ahead of the tournament.

**Procedure:**

* **Step #1:** Any time between now and January 1st, please submit documentation showing that you have been vaccinated against COVID-19. Acceptable proof of vaccination includes but is not limited to:
  + CDC COVID-19 Vaccine Card
  + WHO Vaccine Booklet
  + Documentation provided by a healthcare organization or country
  + *Note: For those individuals who are not fully vaccinated but attest to having an appropriate medical or religious reason for not being vaccinated, you will be able to indicate this as part of Step #1 and proceed with the process required to visit our campus. You will be required to upload to the University proof of a negative PCR test taken within the last 72 hours when you submit your health attestation on the day of the event.*
* **Step #2:**Assuming successful completion of Step 1, you will receive a short health attestation form via email on the morning of your visit to campus. Please complete this form, attesting that you are symptom free at the beginning of the day you will be on campus. If you indicate any symptoms consistent with COVID-19, you will not be permitted to visit a Georgetown-owned or managed campus or building until you are symptom free.

**Complete Step #1 Now via the following link:** [**https://gucovid.force.com/visitor/s/?event=VE1202**](https://gucovid.force.com/visitor/s/?event=VE1202)

Completion is absolutely mandatory.

**Privacy Note**

Event hosts will be able to monitor the progress of every visitor on Step #1 above.

Event hosts are not provided information about your COVID-19 vaccination or your religious or medical exemption from vaccination, but ARE notified of the following: 1. Whether each visitor has completed the required steps; 2. The outcome of any COVID-19 test required by the University in connection with a claimed exemption; and 3. Whether you have reported having COVID-19 symptoms or being in close contact with anyone who has tested positive.

Thank you for your assistance, and we are excited to host all of you in person in D.C. next month!

Best wishes,

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