

# Mission Peak UU Board Policy on how we allow services in Cole Hall starting July 14th

## Board Policy on how to allow services in Cole Hall

- Provide three ways to attend -- via Zoom, sitting outside, or sitting inside.
- No limit beyond standard room capacity for number of people inside.
- Encourage people to space out from others who they do not know to be fully vaccinated both inside and outside
- Attendees should be masked inside and outside. OK for them to speak w/o limitation while wearing a mask.
- We allow worship leaders, associates, and other service participants to be unmasked while speaking if they voluntarily disclose they are vaccinated.
  - Get permission from all those folks to state in WotP and in the service that they have stated that they have been vaccinated.
  - We can also state that we acknowledge that not everyone inside Cole Hall may be vaccinated. We encourage people to do so, we can assist if you haven't been able to yet.
  - Unmasked speakers must be 10ft apart from others who are not fully vaccinated.
- For their safety, we recommend all people 12 and older only come inside if vaccinated. We also recommend that people do not come inside if they are in close contact with at risk people.
- Under 12 -- we encourage parents/guardians to carefully consider the three attendance options we are offering. Children over 2 years old should be masked. Masks are not expected for children under 2.
- Encourage people to have conversations outdoors, we will have a Zoom conversation station so that people can talk to the remote attendees. Board policy outdoor event guidelines can be used as a guide.
- No special cleaning; signs posted to wash hands; hand sanitizer available at entrance
- No child care. Upon request can open Room 1 for use by adults with children in their care.
- Open all doors, including those in the kitchen, if there is still air outside it is better to place fans blowing out of some doors.
- Singing
  - Current -- Vaccinated performers may sing unmasked on the patio, masked attendees may sing inside and outside (make sure there is at least 10 feet space between outside performers and attendees)
    - Criteria to start was under 2 cases per 100K people for two weeks, the current case rate went up to 3.4 adjusted cases per 100K people on July 13, 2021.
    - Criteria to consider being more restrictive will be if the danger to vaccinated people or children under 12 increases significantly and case numbers remain over 2 adjusted cases per 100K people.
  - Less restrictive--vaccinated performers sing w/o masks inside or outside, attendees sing with masks inside or outside
    - Criteria to start is 1 or fewer (adjusted) cases per 100K people for two weeks
  - Not restrictive -- everyone may sing inside w/o masks
    - Criteria to start is 0.1 or fewer (adjusted) cases per 100K people for two weeks

# Covid-19 task force recommendations

July 14, 2021

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## Introduction

The Covid-19 task force recommendations:

- Are what we consider safe and legal using the California June 15th guidelines
- Let other committees worry about the logistics of making it happen, will need to have enforcer of mask wearing and other safety measures
- We should not have any safety measures we do not enforce, or that are not easy to enforce. People are counting on us to let them know what measures are actually in place, not just what we think people should be doing.
- Assume there will be a Zoom option and outdoor option to participate in (hybrid) service so people can make their own decisions for how they want to participate

On 7/13/2021 84% of people age 65+ are fully vaccinated, 74% of people 18 and older, 73% of people 12 and older and 63% of people are fully vaccinated in Alameda County (according to NY Times). For those people who are fully vaccinated (as of 7/6/2021) the risk of Covid contributing to death is around 1 in a 214,000 (See <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/health-departments/breakthrough-cases.html>).

The tier system was removed in California on June 15th and most legal restrictions were removed except for very large events (over 5000 people). Mask wearing restrictions remain in some situations such as public transit and medical facilities. The adjusted cases/day per 100,000 people in Alameda County was 2.4 cases on July 6th (found at <https://covid-19.acgov.org/data.page>), 1.7 cases as of 6/29. 1.4 cases as of 6/22. 2.4 adjusted cases per 100K people on July 7, 2021. Up to 3.4 cases as of 7/13.

## Suggested Announcements

### **WOP and OOS**

Attendees should be masked inside and outside of Cole Hall during the service. We allow worship leaders, associates, and other service participants to be unmasked while speaking if they voluntarily disclose they are vaccinated and are 10ft apart from others who are not fully vaccinated. We encourage those who are not vaccinated and those who are vaccinated but have frequent contact with persons at higher risk to participate in service outside or on zoom, where the risk of transmission is lower.

The board passed a New Safety Policy on how we allow services in Cole Hall. You can also find it in the "[About->Congregational Documents](#)" section of the mpuuc.org web site. If you wonder how we are trying to keep us all safe as we gather together again, please read it. We expect to continue to monitor what is safe and make changes as needed.

We also have other board policies related to Covid-19 in section 18 of the board policies document, which is also in the "[About->Congregational Documents](#)" section of the website. [The outdoor event guidelines in section 18.2](#) will control how we would be able to have food or drinks outside after the service, or for special events. Contact Steve Wallcave with any questions about either safety policy.

### **Pulpit by board member**

In person attendees should be masked inside and outside of Cole Hall during the service. We allow worship leaders, associates, and other service participants to be unmasked while speaking if they voluntarily disclose they are vaccinated and are 10ft apart from others who are not fully vaccinated. We encourage those who are not vaccinated and those who are vaccinated but have frequent contact with persons at higher risk to participate outside or on zoom, where the risk of transmission is lower. More information on the bulletin board to your left and in This Week on the Peak.

## Vaccination rate notes

### **Note from 4/20**

Alameda county has 32% of all residents fully vaccinated. Nationwide 26% are fully vaccinated and 40% have had at least one dose.

### **Note from 4/27**

See <https://covid-19.acgov.org/response.page>? For more information about the county. It shows as of April 10th:

- 51.7% of residents 16 and older have received at least one dose, 32.4% fully vaccinated
- 81% of adults 65+ have received at least one dose, 63% fully vaccinated

### **Note from 5/5**

On 5/5/2021 75% of people age 65+ are fully vaccinated and 49% of people 18 and older, and 39% of all residents are fully vaccinated in Alameda County. Nationwide 32% are fully vaccinated and 45% have at least one dose. (according to NY Times)

### **Note from 6/7**

Nationwide 42% are fully vaccinated and 52% have at least one dose. (according to NY Times). In Alameda County 81% of people age 65+, 68% of people 18 and older, 65% of people 12 and older and 56% of people are fully vaccinated (according to NY Times).

### **Note from 7/3**

Nationwide 47% are fully vaccinated and 55% have at least one dose. (according to NY Times). 83% of people age 65+ are fully vaccinated, 73% of people 18 and older, 72% of people 12 and older and 62% of people are fully vaccinated in Alameda County (according to NY Times)

### **Note from 7/13**

Nationwide 48% are fully vaccinated and 56% have at least one dose. (according to NY Times). 84% of people age 65+ are fully vaccinated, 74% of people 18 and older, 73% of people 12 and older and 63% of people are fully vaccinated in Alameda County (according to NY Times)