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I am writing to urge the STATE BOARD OF HEALTH to make COVID 19 vaccinations mandatory for college and university students in NV (with exceptions allowed for health concerns with a doctor's approval). We are about to start a new semester and the new Delta variant is highly contagious. Putting many people in the same room at full capacity, when many of them are unvaccinated, could have terrible consequences. We can easily prevent infections, hospitalizations, and deaths by mandating that all students be vaccinated. The testing/vaccination requirement for staff was an excellent choice and increased safety on our campuses--the next step is for students. Many other school systems have passed similar measures. The vaccine has been adequately tested and proven to help save lives. Please follow the science and protect us.

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