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Subject: Comments Regarding 8/20 Meeting COVID Vaccine for College Student
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We have a son attending UNR, this will be his second year there.

The three of us are writing to ask for this Board to not implement mandatory vaccines to attend public colleges in Nevada.

We make this request based on the following;

- vaccine is not FDA approved.
- it is not stopping individuals from getting sick, many vaccinated are still getting sick and hospitalized. Some have died from the vaccine.
- this board would be asking healthy young adults to take a vaccine that has not had any sterilization studies, or any that would provide sufficient data to show it is safe in this regard.
- the state of Nevada already has thousands of students committed monetarily to classes for a semester and housing for the entire academic year. If this requirement was going to come for this academic year it should have been communicated well before commitments were required and money paid.

Also, Nevada is currently allowing staff to remain unvaccinated, and test weekly. Would this Board not extend this to the students as well? The home test has been approved for use and is reasonable in price for students and families to purchase. Or at least for students to attest on a weekly basis they have no symptoms, or if they do, provide a test.

We realize that some are more at risk in contracting the illness than others, and they should be able to wear masks and safe distance without reprisal. These should not penalize the others, that do not have greater risk, to take this vaccine in order to attend college.

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