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Dear SAGA families,

The COVID-19 vaccine is now available for all children age 5 and up and we have confirmed with the City of Juneau that there are enough vaccines for all families who want to vaccinate their children. Therefore, we are moving forward with changing our COVID-19 mitigation policy. Starting **January 10th, 2022**, SAGA will require proof of vaccination for anyone entering our facility. In addition, all gymnasts will either have a COVID-19 vaccination record on file or will be required to test weekly before their class for the week.

Starting on **Monday, January 10, 2022**, SAGA staff will begin asking for proof of vaccination or proof of a negative PCR or ANTIGEN test (completed within the past 3 days) to be presented as part of our health screening process for anyone entering our facility over 5 years old. Proof of vaccination must only be presented once, at which time we will make note on your family file. If PCR or ANTIGEN testing is preferred, a negative result within the last three days will be required at each time of entry. People who have tested positive for COVID-19 will not be required to test for 90 days after you have been cleared by your health provider unless you develop symptoms again. Those gymnasts will be required to show a letter clearing your child from isolation from (Public Health or Health Provider or the positive test) so we can make note of that on the family file.

If you wish to provide your proof of vaccination prior to this date, our SAGA staff will be happy to document your vaccination status as it is received during check-in for your regularly scheduled class. We do ask, however, that you *please not email* a photo or copy of your vaccination record, but show it in person at check-in.

Acceptable Forms of Vaccine Status

Vaccine status may be proven using any of these options:

- [CDC COVID-19 vaccination record card](#) or a clear photo of the card;
- Vaccine administration record from a vaccine provider, including an individual's doctor, pharmacy, or other official immunization record, including a photo or photocopy.

A person is considered fully vaccinated two weeks after their second dose of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines or first dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

Acceptable Proof of Negative COVID-19 Test

People 5 years and older who are unvaccinated or cannot prove vaccine status will be required to show proof of a negative PCR or ANTIGEN COVID-19 test at the time of *each* entry. The test must have been performed in the last 3 days to be accepted.

If your child is not yet vaccinated:

If your child 5 years or older has not yet begun the vaccination process, and you intend to do so, we encourage you to begin the process as soon as you can. As there is a three-week wait between the two doses of the Pfizer vaccines (which is currently the only vaccine approved for the younger age group), plus the two-week waiting period after the second dose.

In the meantime:

After January 10, 2022, if your child is not yet fully vaccinated and you are continuing to attend SAGA, we recommend the following options:

- Receiving a PCR or ANTIGEN test within three days of your attendance, until full vaccination is reached
- Or start the vaccination process as soon as you are ready.

If your child will not be receiving the vaccine regimen, you will be required to provide a negative PCR or ANTIGEN test administered within the last three days, each time you attend. This policy will stay in place until the City of Juneau has moved to and an endemic state and the risk of exposure has significantly reduced, at which point the policy will be re-evaluated. We hope to be able to move to mask free workouts when the City of Juneau reduces our city-wide level.

We know you may have questions that have not been addressed in this email, we ask that you please email or call with any questions you may have.

The implementation of this vaccine policy is based on the most recent public health information and is intended to help protect gymnasts, their families, staff, and community; as well as reduce pressure on our health care system and prevent business closures by slowing the spread of the Delta variant in Juneau.

We want to express our sincerest gratitude to everyone attending SAGA, who has followed the changing and evolving requirements and policies throughout the pandemic. We truly feel that access to physical movement, activity, and safe socialization is essential for our kids, and it is our mission to continue to provide these services in a safe and healthy environment. This policy will help us get back to allowing more classes and serving our community better. We thank you for continuing to join us. However, if you find you need to drop your enrollment because of this policy update, we ask that you please do so by **Monday December 13th, 2021** by contacting us directly via email or a phone call.