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Colleagues,

Attached is the social media feedback document gathered so far as well as the most recent FAQs with additions based on calls (50+) received via the call center today.

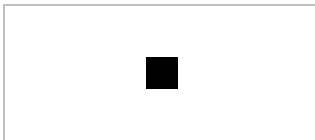
Generally speaking, the majority of students seem pleased with the vaccination requirement decision. Those who are less than pleased tend to be parents and some alumni.

We will continue to add to both documents as the week progresses.

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## Vaccine Requirement Announcement – Social Media Responses

### Trends:

- Majority of students seem to be pleased with the decision. The ones who are upset are primarily parents or older alumni/community members.
- This is financially motivated. UA waited to collect our tuition money and then announced this decision.
- Will students who don't want to be vaxxed be allowed to attend 100% online?
- Will students who want to drop out/transfer be refunded tuition?
- Confusion about whether or not Pfizer is actually FDA approved (new brand name Comirnaty)

### Sunday, Aug. 29

#### Twitter:

- Come on @Pres\_Rogers [BGSU], show some guts and require vaccinations for all students and staff.
- Proud alumni here! Thank you for following the science, Akron!
- Great choice! I hope more schools follow suit.

#### Facebook:

- As it should be! Hope they stick to their guns and don't cave

- Yeah, require a vaccine that still lets you get the 99.6% survival rate virus. That makes a lot of sense
- So does this mean I have to get the vaccine if I want to start next fall?
- Ridiculous
- Thank you for thinking of the safety of our children.
- Hey look, our god-kings have a new mandate
- Will remote learning be available to students who do not want to get the vaccine? They don't require students to get the flu vaccine so why this one?
- Congrats in the dropping of enrollment, and the leaving of currently enrolled.....
- nope we will be looking for you a new school. 🤔

#### Parent Group - Facebook:

- Thought this might happen

#### **Saturday, Aug. 28**

#### Twitter:

- Proud to be a #Zips

- So anti American. I hope they sue your ass
- How dare a public university that takes tax payer money start mandating the new vaccines and segregating who they will teach, train & do business with. Absolute disgrace to the community you claim to represent. Disgusted.
- Schools shouldn't require students to be vaccinated they aren't paid to be there they pay you for their education this seems like an assault on students rights to deny a vaccine
  - Any school can require anything they want for you to attend classes. You don't have a right to deny a vaccine. It's FDA approved, there's no excuse now
  - Every college and university in the US already requires students be fully vaccinated and to provide evidence of it. This just adds Covid-19 to the required vaccines. Why are people so ignorant?
- Great - but why wait till December?
- Stop the Mandates!!!
- Will those vials read “Comirnaty” since that was what was “ApPrOveD”. If not, it is still under a E.U.A..
- December 13?? Why is the deadline half a year into the school year? Vaccines are available at any corner drug store. There is no reason for students to take 3 months to comply.
- Horrible decision. I'll make sure as an alumni that NONE of my hard earned dollars make it back to the university in any capacity as long as this is policy.
- **Akron AAUP:** Pfizer vaccine has been FDA approved. This is a game changer! Please get vaccinated fir yourself and those around you. Go Zips!
- Trust. The. Science. #SciencelsReal


- Their mascot name may be dumb, but their COVID policies aren't, @penn\_state.
- Proud of my alma mater today! Thanks for caring about your students, staff, and the surrounding community!
  - Medical tyranny is now "caring". Noted Can't wait for them to MANDATE ALL OTHER VACCINES - and discriminate EQUALLY, against all those who don't get flu shots, or any other random vaccine. Definitely want them to REGULARLY test people for STD's, flu, TB, strep throat, etc
- Yes!!
- All should be forced to get shots! Save this planet!
- Can you please explain how your website currently says no vaccines- for anything are required. But now you require this when you already have a mask mandate?
- Well done!
- Lucky for us that the FDA has never approved a dangerous drug and had to retract its authorization before. I'm off to take my Fen Phen and Bextra now.
- Good. Now they have a better chance at having a Goodyear.
  - Hope @uakron gets hit with a class action lawsuit!
- Another university requiring vaccination ... by December. That's 4 months from now; hopefully Delta can wait until then to strike #Ohio.
- Yes! Makes me feel a lot better as faculty in the f2f classroom!

#### Facebook:

- So is the University only offering Pfizer vaccines since they are the only one approved?

- No. From the "Details" link in their own announcement: "We have partnered with Klein's Pharmacy to offer the Johnson & Johnson one-dose vaccines at no out-of-pocket expense from 8 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday at Quaker Square. No reservation is required. You should bring your Zip Card, a state I.D. card (driver's license) and a private insurance card, if you have one."
- We are going to start a protest Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Let's tell them how we feel
  - so long as you're off campus by Dec. 13th, go off. Viva la Revolution or whatever
- Great choice, Zips! 🍷
- Yes!!
- Total horse crap!!! How about freedom of choice?? This is nuts. I hope the students and faculty refuse. You won't have a business then!!!
  - Let's ask "The Prince"
  - if I might, how was their freedom of choice taken? And are we going to ignore you acknowledging that it's a business and thus entitled to setting such restrictions within confines of the law?
  - I'll take that as you are unable to explain how their freedom was taken and that we are going to ignore your acknowledgment of them being a business and the rights that entitles them to. At least you tried with your nonsensical moral outrage and unsubstantiated claims, good for you.
- Whoa I thought college was supposed to be intelligent .. guess I was wrong... sorry for you loss ..... of money 😊😂
  - I don't think someone who shared a post about vaccine injection sites being magnetic can comment on what is or isn't intelligent.
- What happened to the mantra "my body my choice"? I guess it doesn't fit the narrative now.
  - because this decision can directly effect others. The other bit is you are conflicting an argument between a parasite that can't live without you and a disease that is killing people plural. This loses the my body "this" -> "that" my choice because this is not just my body.
  - not all science and medical professionals would agree with your assertion about the efficacy of masks. FYI, I am vaccinated and possess graduate degrees X two so my response to this mandate isn't as an uneducated knee-jerk anti-vaxxer. The whole mask

mandate is about control and groupthink and not about solid science. You continue to wear your mask and do exactly as your “superiors” direct you if that makes you comfortable, but don’t attempt to impose your personal belief system on me. This isn’t about the vaccine, but the larger state of our democracy. If you’re too naïve to see that there isn’t much more I can say.

- so don't state knee-jerk counter-arguments. Remember argument fallacies because there are about three in there. Your dissertation professors would call you out.
  - it's still “my body, my choice” as you are free to choose not to take it and face no legal repercussions, such as imprisonment or capital punishment. You tried though
- Everyone commenting in favor of this, you All need to stop taking orders. Vax should be a choice. This is not a pandemic. Over 99% survival rate. It now ranks #8 on the list for deaths in this country. Sick and tired of these liberal universities. Can't wait until mid term elections. Your time will soon run out.
  - Everyone commenting opposed to this, you All need to stop with self-victimization. This is a pandemic. Even with a survival rate between 97%-99.75%, 4.5 million people have died and millions have to live with lifelong complications. It now ranks #3 cause of death during the month of august in this country, after briefly being the 8th during the month of July. So sick and tired of these misinformed right wing American conservatives. Can't wait until mid-term elections where nothing with happen because private organizations are within their rights to set restrictions such as these. Your time will soon continue to run as it's a measurement of observing the existence of the universe.
- Yikes this is embarrassing. Looks like I'll get my Masters somewhere else.
- This is stupid. My body my choice. The vaccine doesn't prevent transmission it lessens the effects when you get covid
- then students should have to show negative aids and std test.
- I'd like to see the same anti-vaxxers in this post go ballistic when their insurance rates go up.  

- Proud of UA for prioritizing the health and welfare of students, staff, and the surrounding community. #gozips!

- If this policy change was based on FDA approval of the Pfizer vaccine, has the university-provided vaccines switched to Pfizer or is this still accurate information? "We have partnered with Klein's Pharmacy to offer the Johnson & Johnson one-dose vaccines at no out-of-pocket expense from 8 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday at Quaker Square. No reservation is required. You should bring your Zip Card, a state I.D. card (driver's license) and a private insurance card, if you have one."
- I hope every student walks off campus to boycott the university! This is an atrocity and a violation of basic human rights. This is an immoral violation of a private individuals rights to make the decisions that are best for their own health. Not only is this immoral it is reprehensible that you are ignoring the significant risks to the individuals that you are forcing to take a dangerous "vaccine". You as an institution should be ashamed of what you have become!!
  - it's not a violation of human rights, as access to private organizations is a privilege not a right. They are also not forcing anyone to do anything. Everyone is free to choose not to get the vaccine and go to another school.
  - what's happening in Afghanistan (Saudi Arabia, Congo, Honduras...) is a violation of basic human rights. What's happening at Akron U is not. Your opening statement proves that...every student has the RIGHT to walk, boycott, yell, scream, get vaccinated. No violation happening here. No one is forcing a needle in anyone's arm. Each and every student has a choice and must live with the choice they make. That's life.
  - I agree that what is happening in Afghanistan is awful, but in your own back yard you are ok with a university taking away an individual's right to make their own health choices? No university or business has the right to take away an individual's right to decide if they want to have any kind of health procedure. What's worse is that by making this mandate, the university is ignoring the inherent of the vaccines. They have an extremely high adverse event rate, higher than all of the other vaccines combined over the last 30 years!! Are you willing to tell each of the people affected by the mandate that they must put their health at risk? Who takes the liability for this?
  - actually it is, this is coercion for the employees, students and contractors. The Nuremberg codes prohibit this yet this is what is happening. What about the employees and contractors.... What are they supposed to do, be forced to find other jobs?? It's not as black and white as you make it sound.
  - it's not a boycott if they don't let you in. 🤔 Sad that the people most desperately in need of an education soon won't be able to get one. 🙏
  - go ahead and sue then, lol.
  - I'm gonna go through this line by line to respond as I know things are not always as coherent in Facebook discussions v face to face. The University is not taking away anything. They are instating a policy, just like many other policies on campus that I'm sure were "controversial" when first put in place. While the vaccine does decrease your chance of contracting Covid, that is not why it's being mandated now that there is an FDA approved option. The reason for such a push in vaccinating is to free up hospital space, which is again at a premium. I would ask anyone refusing to be vaccinated if they have spoken to their Doctor about the risks involved, has their Dr. told them they have



an underlying condition or medication that could react adversely? Those people are out there and cannot be vaccinated. The problem is, they are few and far between and put at extreme risk by being in an open society where people are just choosing not to take any precaution when it comes to protecting others. As for "adverse event rate," the site we got our vaccines at was administering 800-1000 a day, we were in the 4th group eligible to receive vaccine. (So three groups ahead of us by age/medical necessity) Because my husband has had serious allergic reactions to medication in the past we asked nurse administering what the rate had been at that location (and made sure my husband was not getting Moderna shot, which was the one linked to anaphylaxis) Of those THOUSANDS of shots that had been given, they had three people that had gone into anaphylactic shock, all three were immediately treated and recovered. So I'm not sure what you are referring to? Especially when hospitals across the country are reporting that over 90% of patients being admitted with Covid are unvaccinated. As to your next question, I am willing to ASK each and every person affected by the mandate WHY they are refusing to be vaccinated. If the answer is, because it's a violation of my civil liberties then my answer would be, very well that's your choice but you must now leave campus. Choices/Actions have consequences. Living in a free society does not mean living in a society without rules and responsibilities. Finally in response to your last question about liability, I would only ask this, if you want the school to be liable if someone reacts adversely to being vaccinated, who is liable when an outbreak that could have been prevented happens? Are the unvaccinated willing to sign a release saying they will decline medical treatment for a vaccinated individual if hospital beds are at a premium? (Highly doubt it) Are the unvaccinated willing to OWN their choice and follow the rules set in place by the University? (Awful lot of fake vaccination cards being sold now) What is THEIR liability for their actions?

#### Parent Group - Facebook:

- Necessary to stop the spread and to avoid another campus shutdown. Smart call!
  - The vaccinated contract, spread, & sometimes die. Look at Israel. It's Ridiculous to pretend the jab prevents spread, & that everyone has the same needs, or has same situation. 99.99% of us can live just fine w the virus, w out the risks of the jab- ESPECIALLY those 18 to 50. Some of us have existing issues that the jab can place us at great risk of being exacerbated or injured. Live and let live please
- Thank you!
- This is horrible! We're paying YOU money?!? We should have a right to decide what WE want!!! It's our money! How dare you force an experimental "vaccine" on young adults, who have a 99.99% chance of surviving this virus?!? We should have a choice!!

- like I said they are stripping away the freedom of choice (of course after they have our money for the first semester and the kids have a signed 1 yr lease agreements) These parents that think this is a great idea just wait. There will be more freedoms ripped from us and our kids and you won't like what's coming. But they will wait til we live in a communist country before their eyes are open.
- I agree with you. It should be a choice. Why is no one in fear of long term issues? Plenty of medications have been approved and then pulled for horrific side effects. I'd like to wait and see how this all plays out. We should have that freedom. Especially since it doesn't matter if you get the "vaccine", you can still spread it! So this guilt trip of "helping others" is bull.
- My belief is that our children won't see the side effects of this til they are ready to have children of their own. Infertility? Who knows, could be a easy way for population control. New types of birth defects? Who knows, could be an easy way to start up the next money making medical challenge. But the FACT is who knows and it should be a freedom of choice.
- you have a choice. You can choose to withdraw as a student or get the vaccine.
- that would have been nice to know before I gave them my money. The loans have been done. Funny how that works.
- unlike you, most likely, ...most of us probably have students who have invested several years (& lots of money) of their college education at UA... they shouldn't have to withdraw & leave school to protect their bodies from getting poison injected into them. UA is using the kind of manipulation/coercion that is often seen in abusive relationships. UA knew they were going to make this decision way before this semester began! They should have been upfront about it and given people the chance to make another choice before they took everyone's money.
- my sister and I are Akron alum, and she just graduated this year. I still have friends that attend. Everyone is thankful that this is happening so they can continue to go. You can still withdraw your student and return loans. There's a grace period
- You follow rules everywhere you go. No pets in the grocery store, signing waivers before you go rock climbing, etc. if you don't like it, don't go.
- you are incorrect - as displayed in the entirety of this comment thread - that not "everyone" is thankful for this happening. Thank God you and your sister are both done with school therefore this situation and these decisions do not affect you like they do the rest of us.
- none of those rules include injecting an unknown substance in your body
- Perhaps YOU will think differently when it's a right that you feel passionate about. And believe me more of our freedom raping is coming.
- exactly! It's not like you can try it and decide you don't like it and take it out!
- AMEN! Total BS
- THAT'S not a "choice". THAT'S COERCION. A choice in the USA is "I'm living my life. All of a sudden, there is a virus out there, that can be tough on people over 60 years old, or who have comorbidities. There is a new treatment called mRNA, that MIGHT reduce my chances of illness or death. . . .w 0 track record of longterm negative effects, & significantly damages SOME people short term, ESPECIALLY the young & healthy. I think

IT IS BEST FOR ME, TO CHOOSE TO TRY THIS DICE ROLL OF A "SOLUTION". THAT, MY DEAR, IS A "CHOICE" WE ALL ARE IN OUR OWN SITUATION. ONE SIZE DOES NOT FIT ALL

- Y'all are crazy and I hope you don't catch it. I had it and it knocked me off my feet for months. Who knows the long term effects of having the virus. I said everyone I knew still attending school is happy with the decision. All of you are parents, so if my opinion doesn't matter, neither does yours. If it is best for your health or religion to not get the vaccine, please consult your doctors and religious leaders to get a pass. I am passionate about plenty of things. Spending money on an institution that has kept their students safe is one of them! Arguing with their idiotic parents is not You will be crying either way — UA requiring vaccines or not having any classes in person. If this upsets you, withdraw your student.
- Once again I love the assumptions on here. I had COVID in Nov-Dec of 2019 was super sick and I recovered. I also had an uncle 93 who died from it. Another friend in his 40's, very healthy man , runner in fact, was hospitalized for over 40 on a vent and has made a full recovery. So before you ASSume I do not know much about this, without knowing me, shut up til you do. OH and BTW I have worked in EMS for nearly 20 yrs as well. So I am more than well aware of this virus. My point is still that I do not and will not ever agree with our rights being raped from us. And I stand firm when I say you won't either when they take one away that you feel passionate about. And believe me we are on that road.
- wrong again. It was my son and all his friends that got upset which has me mad. I personally got the shot because I had cancer and chose to. My son should also get a choice of what he puts in his body. That is nobody's choice but his!!!
- yes my daughter is the one who is mad also and doesn't want this vaccine. Unfortunately the University doesn't listen to them, instead tries to tell them "they just don't understand the facts"

## Friday, Aug. 27

### Twitter:

- Is that J&J vaccine I got from you guys cool for this? I am vaccinated now with a vaccine I feel comfortable with. I do want to register a respectful protest to this policy though on others behalf as being against the values of liberal humanism, discriminatory, & unethical.
  - **UA Response:** Yes, J&J counts for this. If you haven't yet, you will need to upload your vaccine record into Med+Proctor. Directions: <https://www.uakron.edu/im/online-newsroom/images/2021/3-4/med-proctor-instructions.pdf>
  - I have already uploaded it. Will all boosters also be mandatory in the future? I had a bit of a reaction to the vaccine that I believe was related to a nasty case of COVID-19 I survived in January. I'm not sure about jumping right on the booster train with the

reaction.

- I know there are going to be a lot of angry people about this. I understand the reason they are doing this, but I'm also surprised
- LETS FUCKING GOOOOOOO
- Proud to be an Alum. Good job!
- Get vaccinated ❤️
- What if we identify as vaccinated?
- The vaccines do not stop the spread. Nor do they prevent you from contracting the virus. They only prevent you from feeling the symptoms of the virus. Meaning you can still contract and get full blown Covid. What you have is paranoia from a virus with a 99.7/99.9 survival rate.
- Lol what a joke
- WE LOVE TO SEE IT
- Can't say I'm shocked about this. I got the vaccine and encourage others to do so as well but I find mandates a step much too far.
- One of the few good decisions UA's leadership has made over the last decade. Get vaccinated people.
- I literally never tweet but i just had to hop on and say that this is gross and I'm embarrassed. (-:
- LETS GO
- Outstanding
- As they should
- 😞😞
- Things we LOVE TO SEE
- Better late than never, UA!
- Absolutely the fuck not
- GET VAXXED! NO EXCUSES!
- You guys are a joke. If mine wasn't free I would have never came here. No way anyone should choose to come here with their own cash. My future kids surely won't and you guys thought you had an enrollment problem before
- @uakron @KentState what you are doing with this mandatory vaccination is wrong you should all be ashamed that you are forcing these kids to get this
- Hope you'll compensate your students if they end up ill. Given the Emergency use vax that is being distributed only is not FDA approved. Not sure how parents will feel if their children become ill because of your mandate. [screenshots]  
<https://twitter.com/HowEmbarrassXD/status/1431338426004037633>
- Not @uakron making the vaccination required 😞

- 4 days quarantine because I was exposed to someone who tested + for sars-cov-2. Almost certainly an unvaccinated student in one of my classes. What a waste of my fucking time. Not quarantining (necessary) but having to quarantine because people won't do the right thing. I have already seen a few students rolling their eyes when vaccination is mentioned. None in my microbiology class, thankfully! What weirs me out is these students are 18-19 - not children but not really adults yet either. How strong is their indoctrination? In a few years, with more education, will they feel the same way? Will those of us trying to learn (and those teaching!) alongside freshman students just have to pay the price for their inherited, deliberate ignorance? #VaccineMandateNow
  - Well I tweeted this and like forty minutes later @uakron emailed to say we have a vaccine mandate, by December 13. Thank you! Woohoo! I look forward to feeling safe and being able to focus on my studies.
- Just got an email from the University of Akron stating that all students have to be fully vaccinated by December 13 and show proof of vaccination

#### Facebook:

- Great move, University of Akron!
- Amazing stuff! So proud of y'all for this choice. Keeping your students safe is a must, especially with those idiot antivaxers that are putting peoples lives at risk
- This is absolutely ridiculous especially since vaccinated individuals carry a far greater viral load. Hope you are prepared for the most expensive year of legal fees in the history of the school!
- I just think it's funny that the vocal majority in opposition of this decision has either a) the profile pic with an American flag, b) a banner with the flag and a subtle trump flag, or c) the two-for-one combo
- Just wondering how UA can go from not requiring any vaccines to suddenly requiring this one.
- Wait, I thought masks protected us.

- Good thing I don't go here anymore. I bet a lot of people will drop out because who wants to go to school anyways
  - that's fine by me. At least I won't have to share my classrooms with idiots.
- Kudos to my alma mater for making the responsible decision
- This won't end well. Y'all already had a hard time getting students to enroll as it was. 🤔👤
  - they won't have many other choices to enroll at either. All going to do it.
  - if I had to choose between getting vaccinated n going to Akron U or getting vaccinated and going to Kent State, guess which one literally everyone is going to pick? All they're doing is alienating people who haven't gotten the shot. They can't really afford that
  - online is starting to sound like a good option.
  - kent just mandated it haha. every college will soon be this way.
  - Kent mandated earlier today. Depends on your major. Can't study engineering at Kent.
  - that's irrelevant, if I'm gonna get vaccinated to go to school, I'm going to a cheaper, better school instead of failing Akron U. That place has been downhill since 2015.
  - Cedarville University is not requiring it AND offers engineering.  
<https://www.cedarville.edu/covid-plan>
  - Be careful what engineering major you're looking at. Their civil engineering program is not ABET accredited yet.
- It definitely isn't about the science considering every study out shows that natural immunity from covid recovery is superior to the jab and in fact getting the vaccine after recovering from covid puts you at an increased risk of side effects. This is a horrible and politically motivated decision.
  - not one single credible study shows that. Where did you get your "facts", a QAnon conspiracy website?
  - How about the Cleveland clinic for one
  - WRONG. <https://my.clevelandclinic.org/landing/covid-19-vaccine>
  - <https://www.sciencemag.org/news/2021/08/having-sars-cov-2-once-confers-much-greater-immunity-vaccine-no-infection-parties>
- A smart move and in-line with what the science actually says. Kudos
- this is not okay

- I feel sorry for your call center staff. They will likely and quite unfortunately get harassed by the anti-science dummies all up in arms about this.
- Gonna lose a lot of students lol
- I think this is the most ridiculous thing a University can do. It should be up to the student and faculty if they want to get vaccinated. They are the ones that are taking the risk, not the vaccinated. I tell you right here right now if my son is forced to get vaccinated we are having a lawyer draw up a document stating that if anything happens to him within a certain time period after getting vaccinated, we will sue the University for everything they have.
  - I'm curious, Did you sue your son's high school because they required the Meningitis vaccine?
  - I'm curious as to why you asked this. She said if something happens to her son meaning a side effect. Obviously the meningitis vaccine didn't have side effects for her son hence the reason why she didn't sue.
  - not even close to the same level of risk. Your analogy is awful!
- 🤔🤔🤔🤔
  - Gotta love how all these schools waited until tuition was paid and they in class to mandate it...its crap
  - What happens if you say NO!
    - you can't enroll in spring semester
    - That's ridiculous!
  - Most colleges have vaccine requirements. They waited until it was approved by the FDA to add this one.
- #proudtobeazip
- how is this okay? so now my education is dependent on a vaccine.
  - so wrong, my local college was planning on charging unvaccinated students \$700 a semester 🙄
- **330toGo page:** University of Akron News (shared post)
  - Akron already is an awful college. All these colleges mandating it, will see a loss in attendance now. Before y'all jump and say needing vaccines for college isn't new.... I never had to get any shots when I attended here.
    - Kent and the college I'm going to in PA is also requiring it Majority of colleges are going to so I wouldn't say Akron is bad for this
    - Akron's been awful for years. I went there for 4 years and hated it... I was an exercise major and they had me down as education major for almost 3 years

- though I do agree Akron has some major issues, I'm just saying requiring the vaccine isn't a negative. What's a negative is them letting go of almost all their staff (the best of the best usually) and hiring temp professors in their place.
- and though colleges usually don't require shots, they are STRONGLY encouraged. Hepatitis shots for example, should be mandatory and I'm surprised they're not.
- did your elementary school?
- probably... don't know if it was mandated but I got them (clearly wasn't my choice)... that was the last time I had any shots, too. Didn't get one for middle or high school like they wanted nor did I get one for college...
- it was mandated. MMR vaccinations. This is no different.
- What's really interesting to me is the difference in comments between U of A announcement and KSU announcement.
- You do realize the fda approved fentanyl also so that's not that big of mind changer for me should be personal choice especially with the ultra high survival rate.
  - fda also approves cigarettes which ain't safe for anyone.
- I feel sorry for all the students Nobody knows what this will do to their children
- This is bs. So your telling me. In order for me to pay you to take classes I need a vaccine.
- Wow we are no longer a free country! It should be a choice period!
  - The part that worries me is that none of the companies are liable for damage caused by vaccines. I think if that were removed more people would get them willingly.
  - and you have the choice not to enroll in higher ed this fall
  - you people are all idiots it funny! I'm well educated by the way! Have you heard of communism? Probably not!
  - you don't believe in choices and freedom. And with the vaccine if something happens the vaccine company isn't responsible. How is that funny your funny for your comment? Well I could say something else but I won't to be nice.
  - you do have a choice. You don't HAVE to go to school there!
- Sad, Sad, Sad. Freedom are gone.
- It should be an individual choice. It should NOT be required to keep a job or attend a school. Go to a university that let's you have freedom of choice
- Oh Lord the poor people who have to work the phones at that call center

#### Parent Group - Facebook:

- Are you refunding paid tuition??
- My son is supposed to graduate next year from Akron. I, as his mother, respected him enough to make his own decision on the vaccine since he's an adult. I am vaccinated so I'm certainly not



against it but don't think anyone should be forced into it. My other son was getting ready to also enroll in Akron next year, not any more.

- good luck finding a college that isn't also requiring it! You'll need luck
  - Grove City College in PA does not require it.
  - just wait, most colleges are starting to announce it now.
  - also, not really surprising given that it's a tiny little religious school. I just meant a school that people are actually more interested in like public university with more student to care for.
  - Perhaps. (I'm watching because my daughter goes there.) Although they won a Supreme Court Case to protect their freedom and independence.  
<https://www.gcc.edu/Home/Our-Story/Faith-Freedom/Supreme-Court-Case>
  - Lol yeah idk if that link was the most convincing that they do the right thing.... I feel as a woman that starting a video with how proud you are of a college refusing to support title nine laws just goes to show how little they care about students
- Can student go remote if they don't want the jab??
    - I'd like to know this too.
    - The University of Akron I'd like an answer to this as well.
    - The University of Akron I would like the answer to this also
    - Please let house bill HB 248 pass and end all this!!!
    - Since the vaccinated contract, spread, & even die from the virus- a better idea would be- IF YOU ARE AFRAID, OR HIGH RISK- STAY HOME, GO REMOTE. Stop dictating to everyone else how to live- we are not all in the same situation
  - Isn't that convenient after students have started the semester and the university got paid. Will they be honoring refunds for those who decide to transfer?
    - Good point!
    - YES!!! They knew what their decision on this matter would be before the semester even began!
    - This was absolutely intentional and financially motivated. Part of the reason my son followed through with enrollment is because of in-person instruction and the university NOT requiring vaccine. Such a gross misconduct of leadership. Students are at the age of accountability to make informed decisions about their own education, finances, mentors, politics, etc. The University of Akron is already failing them on all fronts.
    - my daughter came back for the same reasons & I agree with you wholeheartedly about the leaderships gross misconduct!
    - Well stated! You speak for THOUSANDS OF US. WAKE UP U of A!!!! Wrong decision! We have FREEDOM. THE SILENT MAJORITY ISN'T GOING TO TAKE IT ANYMORE.
  - Criminal. Reverse this decision. If you insist on requiring this, then we need to insist the U of A insure each student you require to receive jab against their free will, for any & all losses incurred

from any jab side effects or injuries. YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF YOURSELVES FOR REQUIRING THIS. WHAT IS WRONG WITH YOU?

- Who do you people think you're keeping safe?? Are you living under rocks? Even vaccinated people CAN & DO transmit this! And CAN and DO die from it AFTER GETTING THE SHOT!!!! Just because it's approved doesn't mean you should be able to FORCE people to get a still EXPERIMENTAL shot. Do you know long term effects of it??? Then you're gonna try to force people to get "boosters". If this is the "save all" then why the hell doesn't it last more than a few months....or so they say. This is a bunch of bullshit and shame on you Akron University. I'm ashamed and disgusted that MY child attends your school. It's absolutely disgusting that you think you have the authority to blackmail people into getting this "shot". I hope all of you that make these decisions get it and so do your families and I pray they don't have any side effects or still get Covid. Blackmail, bribery and inducing fear is what's making people get this. It has a 99.9% recovery rate....what part of that is so damn scary that you're willing to inject yourself with God knows what???
- it's FDA approved. Millions of Americans have been vaccinated so far. It's not experimental. It's necessary and the thing that will end all these shutdowns and the need for masks
- it is EXPERIMENTAL. When have they ever approved a shot so fast?? Never! And why because it takes yrs to know side effects down the road....and just because it's approved doesn't make it right and magical. Have ya heard of Zantac? It was approved too and look at what it has done. By all means if you wanna shoot yourself up with who knows what you go right ahead. I have the right to choose not to. Last time I checked my body, my choice. For some reason the vaxxers don't believe we should have choices anymore. Sorry I don't fall in that category
- oh and have you not heard? People who have gotten the shot can/do carry it and can/do get sick and can/do die from Covid. This is all I'm going to say about this. You do you but I have the RIGHT and the FREEDOM, because last time I checked I lived in the United States of America, land of the FREE to NOT get it!! No one, not even the clown in the White House, has the right to take that from me. Just as I don't have the right to tell you you cannot get it. I hope you have a great day and stay safe by whatever that method is for you.
- It does if enough people get vaxxed. And the symptoms are less severe if you do get a breakthrough infection.
- it's not approved RE-READ THE PAPERWORK THATS ON LINE. It says that this vaccine will be Extended for further trial. do some research and read the paperwork it's all online from Pfizer themselves
- further more if you let a dictator tell you what to do then it shouldn't be hard for you to put Restraints on where you can eat and where you can live and what you can spend your money on this is coming be prepared

- Will this be mandatory every 8 months for boosters? Students are giving up bodily autonomy and medical freedom for a virus with a 99.9% survival rate for their age group.
- Uncalled for, extremely wrong, total control bullshit!!!
- Thank you UA for keeping everyone safe. I applaud you!
- Shame on UA. What freedom will be next?? Stayed tuned as the USA becomes a communist nation.
- Thank you Akron. Good decision.
- Thank you, UA.
- Finally! Such a good decision!
- What happened to medical freedom? My body, my choice?
- My kid had to other vaccinations before even getting on campus
  - those have data on long term effects. The covid shot does not.
- What about students who are medically unable to get the vaccine? What do they need to present?
  - **UA Response:** There is an exemption request form for medical reasons, which can be found at [uakron.edu/return-to-campus](https://uakron.edu/return-to-campus) under "Vaccine Requirement"
- Guess if everyone is vaccinated. No one will need to wear masks.
- This is bullshit.

### Instagram DMs:

- Have fun trying to enforce vaccinated students. Very very very disappointed UA does not support civil liberties of human beings. I will encourage students to not attend Akron in the future.
- Please don't force me to get the vaccine. PLEASE
- I am incredibly disappointed in the university for their choice to support a vaccine mandate. This directly contradicts a students choice to make free choices about their health. While I realize that vaccines are vital to public health, the long term effects of such a new vaccine are not known. I sincerely hope course is reversed, before lawsuits begin to form. -A tuition paying student ...
- As an alumni of UA I feel it is wrong in many ways to mandate something that doesn't pertain to everyone's beliefs. As a public school it isn't right to restrict your students freedoms. Consider Allowing the option for the Unvaccinated to attend class virtual as you did before. Do not punish and discriminate whether you are or are not vaccinated. In the meantime I will encourage all students and future students to explore an opportunity where they are able to make decisions for themselves, after all without them the school is nothing. They are paying for their education and deserve the right to decide for themselves what they get in return. I am ashamed to be associated with a university that has fallen to such low standards and does not consider what the students of the school want.
- This school is already at a low with getting students and then you require the vaccine. This place will be turning into a community college soon

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With the recent FDA approval of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine, The University of Akron will now require that all members of our community — students, faculty, staff, and contract professionals — be fully vaccinated by December 13, 2021.

The University has established a call center to field questions about the vaccination requirements. The call center will be staffed from 10 am to 3 pm weekdays starting Monday, August 30, and can be reached at 855-308-9227.

Details: [uakron.edu/return-to-campus](https://uakron.edu/return-to-campus)

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Very very sad that I may have to drop out of school my very last semester (my student teaching semester) in the Spring because @uakron wants to force the vaccine on us. Sad sad day but I will hold strong in my beliefs!

**YESYESYESYESYESYESYESYESYES!!!!**

**THANK YOU @UAKRON**

**IT'S TIME TO GET LIFE AND CLASSES BACK TO NORMAL. I'M SO INCREDIBLY PROUD TO BE A ZIP TODAY.**

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University of Akron announces COVID-19 Vaccine Requirement

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As you likely are aware, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has given full approval of the COVID-19 vaccine manufactured by Pfizer for individuals 16 and older. In its announcement, the FDA said " ... this vaccine meets the high standards for safety, effectiveness, and manufacturing quality the FDA