



## Event Health and Safety – COVID-19

The District of Columbia has rescinded their vaccine mandate and the mask mandate will expire March 1, 2022.

The School Nutrition Association (SNA) is committed to creating and maintaining a safe and healthy environment for all participants in the Association’s activities. SNA has zero-tolerance for activities at in-person events which endanger the health and wellbeing of participants, volunteers, or staff.

All participants at SNA in-person events should review and are expected to act in alignment with [CDC Recommendations](#) to maximize protection from the virus. If the CDC recommendations become more restrictive than the guidance in this document, SNA will update attendees as soon as possible, and those recommendations will supersede the information provided herein.

### Protocols

For LAC 2022 all attendees, speakers, exhibitors, volunteers, and support staff are required to:

- Be fully vaccinated<sup>1</sup> against COVID-19 and provide proof of vaccination OR receive and provide a negative COVID-19 test result within three (3) days (72 hours) of the start of the event.
- Submit vaccination or test information via the CLEAR app.

In alignment with CDC recommendations, SNA will encourage participants to wear a face mask indoors in the presence of other persons.

Participants will be expected to self-monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 following the event and contact SNA at [meetings@schoolnutrition.org](mailto:meetings@schoolnutrition.org) if you experience symptoms of COVID-19 within 10 days after the event concludes.

### Travel

SNA will follow [county, city, state, and federal health and safety regulations](#) and expects conference participants to do so as well. Participants traveling to SNA events should be in good health and should not have symptoms consistent with or a diagnosis of COVID-19 and should not have been in contact with a person exhibiting symptoms or a diagnosis of COVID-19 in the prior 14 days.

By attending the event, we ask you to certify that you do not fall into any of the following categories:

1. Individuals who, within the fourteen (14) days prior to the start of the event, have experienced any [symptoms associated with COVID-19](#) (even if fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or have recovered from COVID-19 in the past);
2. Have suspected or diagnosed COVID-19 (even without symptoms); or,
3. Have been in close contact with someone with suspected or diagnosed COVID-19 in the past 14 days (even if they did not have symptoms).

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<sup>1</sup> In general, people are considered fully vaccinated two weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series or two weeks after a single-dose vaccine.

General travel information during COVID can be found at the [Corporate Traveler Resources Hub](#)

### What to Expect

- Attendee adherence to health and safety protocols
- Best practices for food & beverage service
- Following any directives put in place for social distancing and mask wearing at the time of the meeting
- Widespread availability of hand sanitizer
- Meeting room cleaning between sessions

## Washington, D.C. COVID Info

[District of Columbia Government Health Guidance](#)

[District of Columbia Vaccination Requirement](#)

[JW Marriott Hotel](#)

## Attendee Liability Waiver and Assumption of Risk

Attendee assumes all risks and accepts sole responsibility for any injury (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that attendee may experience or incur in connection with attending the LAC 2022. Attendee hereby releases, covenants not to sue, and will discharge and hold harmless the School Nutrition Association, their respective employees, agents, and representatives, of and from any such claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs, or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto.

Specifically relating to the global COVID-19 pandemic, attendee acknowledges the highly contagious nature of COVID-19, voluntarily assumes the risk of exposure or infection by attending the LAC 2022 and acknowledges that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, disability, and/or death to attendee. Attendee understands the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at the LAC 2022 may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of others who may attend the event or their families, colleagues, or others with whom they may have contact. Accordingly, attendee understands and agrees that this release includes any claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of SNA, its employees, members, vendors, exhibitors, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in the LAC 2022.

In addition to all other rules and regulations relating to the attendee's attendance at the LAC 2022, attendee agrees to comply with all COVID-related procedures that may be implemented by SNA and the J.W. Marriott, including, but not limited to, vaccination, health monitoring, mask-wearing and social distancing requirements and restrictions on certain activities that carry higher COVID-related risk, in order to protect as much as possible the health and safety of all LAC 2022 attendees.