COVID-19 UPDATE

October 19, 2021

SUMMARY:

The North Country region still has the highest positivity rate (6.2 %) in the state. Please continue to wear your mask and self-screen for any COVID-19 symptoms. If you have symptoms, do not come to campus, and please contact your health care provider.

BOOSTER SHOT UPDATE:

Studies show that after getting vaccinated against COVID-19, protection against the virus may decrease over time and be less able to protect against the Delta variant.

Data from a small clinical trial show that a Pfizer-BioNTech **booster shot increased the immune response** in trial participants who finished their primary series 6 months earlier. With an increased immune response, people should have improved protection against COVID-19, per the CDC.

Currently, only certain populations initially vaccinated with the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine can get a booster:

- 65 years and older
- Age 18+ in long-term care settings
- Age 18+ who have underlying medical conditions
- Age 18+ who work in high-risk settings
- Age 18+ who live in high-risk settings

For more information on eligibility for booster shots, visit the CDC website.

MORE UPDATES:

www.nccc.edu/covid

ON-CAMPUS VACCINATION RATES *(ALL CAMPUSES)*

99.5%
Student Vaccination Rate

A total of **455 of 457 on-campus students are fully vaccinated**. Two unvaccinated students have been granted medical accommodations. The remaining student population is fully online. More than 90 percent of full-time faculty and staff are vaccinated.

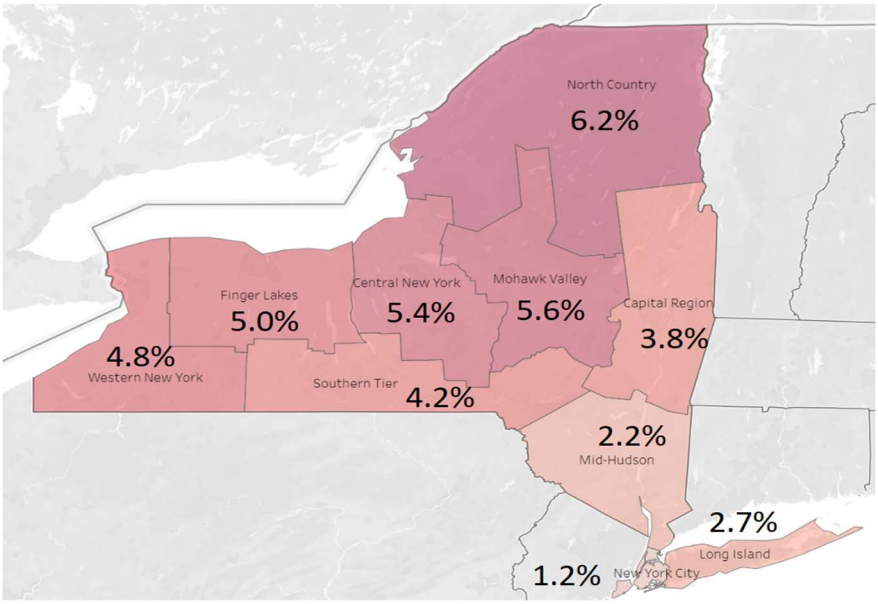
NCCC POSITIVE COVID CASES *(ALL CAMPUSES)*

Total Current Positive Cases 2
Total Positives Last 14 Days 6

Campus Location	Current Positive Cases
Malone	0
Saranac Lake	1
Ticonderoga	1

REGIONAL POSITIVITY RATES

The North Country continues to have the highest rate in the state.



Real-time data: https://www.suny.edu/covid19-tracker/