

**To: Montgomery College Community**

**From: Adam Reid, Director of Public Safety, Health and Emergency Management**

**Subject: COVID-19 Vaccination Site to Be Held at the College's Germantown Campus**

**Date: March 29, 2021**

Good Morning:

In response to requests from state and county officials, Montgomery College and its community partners are pleased to collaborate on the opening of a COVID-19 vaccination site at the Germantown Campus. Late last week, Montgomery County health officials, the State of Maryland, and the College made those plans official with the announcement that the Germantown Campus will become one of the state's six new mass vaccination sites.

Holy Cross Health and Holy Cross Germantown Hospital, our PIC MC anchor resident partners, have also been instrumental in getting the vaccination site running.

Beginning on Wednesday, March 31, in the Bioscience Education Center (BE), health professionals staffing the site will begin administering vaccines to pre-registered individuals. As vaccine allocation increases, officials anticipate that by the week of April 5 the site will be able to distribute 3,000 doses of COVID-19 vaccine per day. The end date for the vaccination site is to be determined.

While the logistical planning is still a fluid process, here are a few key details for the College community to be aware of:

- The county and the state health departments are the main facilitators, with the College serving a supporting role as the host facility;
- The vaccination site will open on a limited capacity Wednesday, March 31;
- Because it is a mass vaccination site in partnership with the State of Maryland, it also will be available to residents throughout the state—not just Montgomery County residents;
- Pre-registration is required at the [county website](#) or [state website](#). Walk-up appointments will not be accepted;
- All MC employees and MC students who wish to receive a vaccine will need to register;
- The governor has expanded the number of people eligible for vaccinations. To check on whether you are eligible, visit the [CovidLink Maryland page](#);
- Additional vaccine distribution data can be viewed on Montgomery County's [Vaccine Distribution Dashboard](#).

- Volunteer opportunities are still being discussed and we will communicate via email when that information is made available;
- Traffic flow will be controlled by law enforcement and we expect to have a definitive map of the site and traffic patterns in the coming days;
- Ride On and other transportation options are being examined to help with accessibility to the campus;
- There may be some relocations for scheduled activities taking place at the Germantown Campus;
- No MC activities will be scheduled for the first floor of BE during the vaccination, but access to upstairs offices and classrooms/labs will remain;
- The Germantown Campus, located at 20200 Observation Dr. in Germantown, is accessible by car, Ride On, and Metro's Red Line combined with a transfer to Ride On Route 55 to the on-campus stop.

As a supporting partner in this vital effort to keep our community protected from COVID-19, this opportunity is an extension of our service mission and the College is proud to be a part of it.

Any questions can be emailed to [publicsafety@montgomerycollege.edu](mailto:publicsafety@montgomerycollege.edu).