



The New Mexico ACB Consortium, Inc.

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Friends:

The NMACBC (New Mexico Association of Concert Bands Consortium) met on Sunday, January 9, 2022, to consider again this year's National Convention vaccination requirements. It is our intention to host a wonderful gathering of inspiring people and events, May 3-8, 2022. In most years, it would be assumed that the word "safe" would be included in our statement of intentions; this year we are paying close attention on how to do that.

Our stated and continuing policy has raised some important questions that we wanted to address. We thank and appreciate those who have raised them. We reaffirmed our publicized COVID-19 policy that all registered attendees must be fully vaccinated recognizing that, unfortunately, some people may be unable to join given these requirements. We concluded that this policy remains the best approach to ensure safe convention for all.

We also recognize that the best approach to mitigating the effects of COVID-19 and its variants may change as these few months go along; we are ready to amend the policy as developments arise. We hope that any changes would be the result of good news about the demise of the virus and its sometimes life-threatening impact on affected individuals and communities.

Specifically, the policy is:

"The NMACBC, Inc. requires all 2022 Association of Concert Bands "Music For Life" Convention participants (including but not limited to: volunteers, staff, vendors, visiting bands, as well as registrants and guests) provide proof of full vaccination for COVID-19 upon arrival and sign-in at the convention hotel."

Additionally, at this time, New Mexico State law requires masks indoors.

<https://www.newmexico.org/covid-19-traveler-information/>

With all good wishes to you,

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