

## **Update on Vaccination / Testing Reporting System (VTRS)**

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Dear Members of the University,

Welcome back to the HKUST! It is heart-warming to see all the new and old faces back to the campus after a long period of online teaching. To provide our members a safe environment for work and study, we announced in May that a Vaccination / Testing Reporting System (VTRS) will be launched on September 1, we are very grateful for your support and would like to share with you some updates here.

As of last Friday (September 3), over 90 per cent of our staff and students who returned to the campus have been vaccinated, while the remaining submitted COVID-19 test results to the system. We are pleased to see the result. Thanks to your kind cooperation, overall access control has remained relatively smooth, checking of electronic Campus Access Pass (CAP) at campus gates has not seen major delays.

While we call for your continuous support in maintaining a safe environment for all, we would also like to remind you that any member who fails to submit vaccination record or regular test results to the VTRS will be denied access to the campus. Students and staff should take note of the potential consequences as a result of the access ban, including but not limited to not being able to fulfil attendance requirement or attend examinations for students, and, for staff, unable to perform your stipulated job duties. The University will take necessary steps to handle any non-compliance case.

To assist our members coming/returning from the Mainland and Macao without affecting others living in shared space on campus, the University has designated Conference Lodge (CL) as a facility for home quarantine at a discounted rate. Occupants in CL must observe all quarantine requirements imposed by the government and the University during the quarantine period. CL is expected to resume normal operation when the quarantine needs subside after September.

Thank you again for your efforts and diligence in making our campus a safer place, and we look forward to your continued collaboration.

Warm regards,

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