



The health and safety of our staff, sponsors, and supporters is always at the forefront of our minds as we look forward to hosting our 25th Anniversary Celebration on October 7, 2021.

Based on guidance from health authorities and government agencies, and in consultation with other nonprofits in our region, the Partnership for the Delaware Estuary will be requiring proof of vaccination or a negative PCR test within 72 hours for all attendees, staff, and volunteers at our Experience the Estuary Celebration on October 7, 2021.

For those who are partially vaccinated, a negative PCR test within 72 hours of the event will be required.

Per City of Philadelphia regulations, all guests, volunteers, and staff are required to wear a mask when entering and exiting the venue, regardless of vaccination status.

This decision was made after watching the dramatic surge of COVID-19 cases as the Delta and Mu variants spread through the United States.

By making this announcement now, PDE is looking to provide as much time as possible for our supporters to plan and/or schedule vaccination or testing appointments prior to our event on October 7, 2021.

If you are unable to be vaccinated for a medical or religious exception, you will need to provide a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken no more than 72 hours prior to October 7, 2021.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT ARE YOUR VENUE'S POLICIES?

Our venue is commitment to service, quality and the safety of guests and employees. They have instituted dozens of new protocol updates to make certain that proper sanitation and



safety standards are seamlessly covered. You can learn more about their enhanced safety protocols [here](#).

WHAT OTHER PROTOCOLS ARE YOU ENACTING?

- We are limiting the number of tickets being sold to the event. The room capacity is 600; we are anticipating about 300 guests will be in attendance at the event.
- The cocktail hour will be held outside.
- We are reducing the number of people at dinner tables from 10 to 8 to allow more room between seats.
- We will have assigned tables for the seated dinner and will keep groups together (i.e., we will not split up colleagues/couples). If you are purchasing tickets separate from members in your group, please include a note about who you should be paired with when purchasing your ticket.
- We are following all CDC and City of Philadelphia recommendations and directions on hosting events.

WHAT DO I NEED TO PROVIDE UPON ENTRY?

PDE will be requiring all our staff, volunteers, and attendees to provide proof of vaccination (i.e., fully vaccinated) or a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken within 72 hours of the event.

If you are partially vaccinated, a negative PCR test will be required.

HOW DO I SHOW PROOF WHEN I ARRIVE?

Acceptable documentation will be a physical copy of the attendees' COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card, a digital copy of such card (i.e., a photo on your cell phone), or a physical or digital copy of the negative test result. You must also provide a copy of a state-issued photo ID with a matching name.



If you lost your vaccination card and do not have an electronic copy or picture, please reach out to the government agency or location where you received your vaccine, they may be able to assist.

WILL I NEED TO WEAR A MASK INSIDE?

Per City of Philadelphia regulations, all guests, volunteers, and staff are required to wear a mask when entering and exiting the venue, regardless of vaccination status.

WHAT IF I FORGET MY PROOF OF VACCINATION OR TESTING?

You will not be allowed into the building and we cannot offer any refunds.

WHAT IF I HAVE A MEDICAL CONDITION OR RELIGIOUS BELIEF THAT EXEMPTS ME FROM GETTING VACCINATED?

You will still be required to provide a negative COVID-19 PCR test result, taken within 72 hours of the event for entry.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO GET INSIDE?

We hope these necessary health checks will only add a few moments on to your trip, but we encourage you to allow extra time for this process when arriving at our site. We thank you in advance for your patience!