



September 28, 2021

Dear Residents and Family,

We continue to be without any positive Covid-19 cases here at Brewster. Cases in Shawnee County have declined for the last month and are now comparable to the numbers observed last February.

Beginning Monday, October 3, we will no longer require vaccinated individuals to wear a face covering unless participating in an indoor activity of 25 or more where social distancing is not achievable. Some individuals prefer to wear a face covering regardless of vaccination status. Please assure your guests understand that masks are required if unvaccinated. All of us should feel free to exercise the precautions we feel most comfortable with.

***Face coverings are still required in Assisted Living and the Brewster Health Center.**

We do not have a booster clinic scheduled for campus at this time. I suggest any resident who wishes to get the booster to contact one of the pharmacies advertising the booster shots directly. Please do not wait for a community vaccine clinic to occur if you are in need of a booster shot. The Walgreens on South Topeka Blvd is accepting walk-in appointments for the booster. Be prepared to provide your original Covid-19 vaccination card, your Medicare card, and your ID. Jayhawk Pharmacy in town also has Covid-19 boosters available for seniors.

More than 70% of Brewster staff is vaccinated. A great number of the remaining individuals without the vaccine have immunity through natural infection. We continue to watch for two separate federal rules which will mandate the vaccination for all Brewster employees. It is unknown at this time when the details of those rules and the specific requirements for compliance will be made public.

As always, please be very mindful of your symptoms. Cases are spread because the symptoms of Covid-19 resemble every day ailments such as muscle fatigue and cold and allergy like symptoms. If you experience any symptom of illness, please refrain from venturing into the public. If you must venture out, please don a mask. If your symptoms persist, please contact your physician and our Community Health Nurse at 274-3342 for additional guidance. Please do your best to help us keep the virus at bay. Thank you.

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President and CEO