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To: The Technion Community

Subject: Commencing the Green Pass Requirement at the Technion

Dear all,

Due to the continuation of the current wave of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Coronavirus Cabinet has decided to expand the Green Pass regulations and apply them to academic institutions as well. These decisions came into today (August 18), after being approved by the Education Committee of the Knesset. The following are the implications of these regulations for us here at the Technion:

- Entry into the Technion will only be possible for those who meet the requirements of the Green Pass; that is, those who hold a valid vaccination certificate, recovery certificate, or a confirmation of a negative COVID-19 result (results of the PCR test are valid for 72 hours and results of the rapid antigen test are valid for 24 hours). Children aged 0-3 are exempt from this requirement.
- In addition to the inspection that will take place at the gates, enforcement of the Green Pass will occur at the entrance to the pool and sports center, restaurants, and some main buildings in which teaching activities take place (the Student Union, Ullman building, Pre-Academic Preparatory School). Spot checks will be conducted in other buildings to ensure compliance with the Green Pass requirements.
- Dormitory residents will be required to uphold Green Pass requirements outside of the dormitory area.
- Study areas, libraries, classrooms and lecture halls will operate at up to a 75% capacity, such that these areas must not exceed 75% of the total allowable capacity during routine times.
- The obligation to wear masks applies to everyone in all closed spaces, as well as in open space gatherings that surpass 100 people. Lecturers are exempt from this obligation when they are lecturing, provided that a distance of at least 2 meters is maintained between them and the students.
- We will continue with the policy that allows staff to work from home part time, as per the guidelines that have been in effect since Sunday, August 8th (and as was explained in my letter on August 4th).

At this point, the above guidelines will be in effect until September 9th. If necessary, we will update on any changes or on the prolongation of the guidelines, in accordance with the decisions of the authorities.

Hoping for a quick return to our routine and wishing good health to all.

Regards,

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