

Dear Ms. Lumpkin,

I would like to underscore a key point that I did not see addressed in your article “Unlike neighboring D.C. schools, Catholic University will not enforce vaccine mandate.” (May 28, 2021). While the article presented the perspectives of the Administration and several students, it did not include any direct statements from University faculty regarding President Garvey’s decision not to mandate vaccines on campus and I wish to provide it here.

On May 12, 2021, Catholic University’s [Academic Senate](#) voted overwhelmingly in favor of two resolutions brought forth by two senate members- one resolution favoring mandatory covid vaccination for all employees and the other favoring the same for all students. The resolutions passed by a near 70% margin.

Without responding to the resolutions, President Garvey instead relied on an [anonymous survey](#). Furthermore, he has not made the raw data from the survey available for examination by the faculty.

I would be happy to speak with you further about this issue, as would a number of my faculty colleagues, many of whom are disappointed and concerned with this policy.

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Regards,

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