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TO: University of Idaho Students, Faculty and Staff
FROM: Scott Green, President
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SUBJECT: Judge's Ruling Halts Vaccine Mandate

Today, a Georgia federal judge granted a preliminary injunction prohibiting the Biden Administration from enforcing the COVID-19 vaccine mandate for employees of federal contractors and subcontractors.

This is good news for the University of Idaho, where we receive an average of \$22 million annually in federal non-grant contracts. The State Board of Education joined the lawsuit filed by the state of Georgia arguing that the order is coercive and that the White House does not have legal authority to impose the mandate.

This injunction allows the university to continue with voluntary vaccination — which we strongly encourage — without mandating employee vaccinations. [Find a vaccine location](#) near you.

Thank you all for your patience as we awaited the court decision. This allows us to focus on a strong close to the semester and enjoy a much-deserved break.

Keep Calm and Vandal On.

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