

# UPDATE: Bakersfield College could open COVID-19 mass vaccination site as soon as early March

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**UPDATE (2/8):** Bakersfield College President Sonya Christian said BC is working with Kern County Public Health to plan for a mass COVID-19 vaccination site that could be up and running as soon as the beginning of March.

Christian said the college is still waiting to hear when it will receive a shipment of the vaccine. She said BC could be notified as soon as this week.

Besides the vaccination site on the main campus, Christian said the college is also developing a plan to bring pop-up clinics to Delano and Arvin.

The college is looking for volunteers to help run the mass vaccination site, including shot-givers, translators, parking attendants. Christian said training will be made available to volunteers. To sign up or for more information, contact Catherine Rangel at [catherine.rangel@bakersfieldcollege.edu](mailto:catherine.rangel@bakersfieldcollege.edu).

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**(2/1): BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (KGET)** — Bakersfield College has confirmed that its Student Health and Wellness Center was recently approved by the state to be a COVID-19 vaccination site.

The college said it is waiting to be given vaccine doses so that it can open a clinic on the campus. It is unknown at this time when the clinic could open or how many people could receive the vaccine.

“We are excited to invite the community back to the home of the Renegades for their vaccines,” the college said in a statement. “BC is strongly committed to being not only an engaged community partner, but a critical part of this community-wide solution. We are so thankful to Kern County Public Health and all the partners who have come together to provide access to the community to the vaccines.”

BC’s nursing and public health students are already assisting various clinics throughout the county to vaccinate residents. The college has also hosted several testing events in partnership with the Latino COVID-19 Task Force and Kern County Public Health.