PIN 21-12 Talking Points for Admissions Counselors and Centers

Intro

- Since we know more about COVID-19 now and have better ways to prevent and treat it, Job Corps has relaxed many pandemic health rules on campus.
- You may have heard from other young people about all the COVID restrictions at Job Corps. Old news. That was last year.

Balance: Mental Wellbeing, Physical Health, and Autonomy

- Our new rules balance students' needs to get back to normal life and be together with keeping everyone safe. The health and safety of our students remains our top priority.
- Students now have more freedom to make their own decisions than at any other time since the pandemic began, including deciding whether to mask and distance in most situations.
- The Job Corps culture respects and supports individuals who want to distance and mask up. And we will make sure that you have this option if you choose.

Changes in Detail

- Job Corps has made some big changes:
  - No more required distancing - you get to decide
  - No more quarantine at arrival or after a close contact exposure if you are current on your COVID-19 vaccinations. You only quarantine if you have a close contact exposure and are not current on your COVID-19 vaccine. Quarantine is shortened to only 5 days.
  - Recreation trips with no restrictions
  - Work-based learning with no restrictions
  - Leisure time employment with no restrictions
  - Leave center on PTO with no quarantine upon return
  - Shorter isolation if you do test positive

- Some things have stayed the same:
  - If COVID-19 is bad in your area, we will ask that you mask up to protect yourself and others. If CDC guidance says that the COVID-19 community level is “high” in the area, masking will be required indoors when you are not in your dorm room.
  - We continue to highly recommend COVID-19 vaccination because getting vaccinated helps keep you and those around you healthier and safer. And we will help you get vaccinated if you choose.

Closing

- We have immediate openings on campus. Whether you’re vaccinated or not. We are open and ready to help you get started in Job Corps.