



**Floridians remain divided on mandatory vaccines for students.** A majority of respondents agreed that

***Please select the statement that best describes you\*:***

	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Percent</b>
I have received all of my vaccine doses and am fully vaccinated	347	89.9

***How likely are you to get vaccinated in the coming months?***

	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Percent</b>
I will definitely get vaccinated	27	12.6
I will probably get vaccinated	38	17.8
I will probably NOT get vaccinated	52	24.3
I will definitely NOT get vaccinated	33	15.4
	64	29.9

*Question was only posed to those who have NOT received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. N = 214*

***What are your primary reasons for choosing not to get vaccinated? (check all that apply)***

	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Percent</b>
concerned about the potential side effects of the vaccine	72	74.2
I feel the vaccines were created too quickly	49	50.5
believe the vaccines are effective at preventing the spread of COVID-19	20	20.6
-19	20	20.6
	17	17.5
A friend or family member had a bad reaction the vaccine	15	15.5
I believe COVID-19 is not a serious threat	10	10.3
My primary care doctor advised me not to get vaccinated	6	6.2

*Have you*

**Total Exposure to Misinformation** ( ' ( )  
 you read or heard any of the following stories/claims about COVID-19 vaccines? )

	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Zero	160	26.7
One	97	16.2
Two Three	164	27.3
Four Five		

*Please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements:*





**Misinformation and Vaccine Hesitancy**

***Vaccination Status BY Exposure to Misinformation***

		<b>Sum of Misinformation Exposure</b> (% of column total)
<b>Vaccinated</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>One</b>

***Which of the following best describes your opinion BY Party ID (as a % of column total)***

	Democrats	Independents & Other	Republicans
Theme parks should NOT be allowed to require guests to show proof of vaccination.	16.2	37.3	45.7
It should be up to individual parks whether they want to require proof of vaccination.	44.8	37.9	32.9
It should be mandatory for guests to provide proof of vaccination for all theme parks in Florida.	39.0	24.9	



## **Survey Information**

600 adult Floridians were surveyed via an online web-panel using Prodege MR, an industry leading market research provider. The survey was fielded from June 3<sup>rd</sup> through 14<sup>th</sup>, and the results are reported with a 95% confidence level and a margin of error of +/- 4.

Survey respondents were selected via a stratified, quota sampling approach in order to ensure a representative sample of Floridians. Quotas for gender, age, race, and ethnicity were determined based on

Demographic Research (EDR). The quotas were stratified by region of the state in order to ensure the geographical representativeness of the sample. Table A1 below provides a breakdown of the respondents by key demographics.

**Table A1**  
**Sample Comparison**

	<b>USF Survey Sample</b>	<b>Florida Demographics*</b>
<i>Gender</i>		

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