FDA Paves Way for College Vaccine Mandates - Institutions may feel more empowered to enact vaccine mandates now that Pfizer’s FDA approval levels it with other required vaccines.

Students Support Mask, Vaccine Mandates -- but Not Parties - Polls find that students overwhelmingly support vaccine & mask mandates and are hesitant about returning to normal college life.

Exhausted but Optimistic: a Portrait of This Year’s Incoming Freshmen

Fee-Free College Applications Gain Popularity - More colleges embrace the idea, but some worry about the lost revenue.

Delta Variant Prompts Quick Countermeasures From Some Colleges - Variant is spur-ring some colleges to make early changes to their health and safety plans as students arrive on campuses for the fall.

Fake IDs Are Common. Will Fake Vaccination Cards Be Next?

There’s a New Wave of AI Research Coming to Transform Education

The Next Wave of Edtech Will Be Very, Very Big - and Global
Too Much for Some, Not Enough for Others - Some colleges are experiencing student housing shortages while pandemic-related enrollment drops at other institutions are leaving residence halls below full capacity.

College Professors Worry About Financial Cutbacks and Inequalities on Campus

Arkansas to Expand Online with Grantham Acquisition - If the Arkansas board approves the deal, the system will purchase the for-profit university and all its assets for only $1.

Some Universities Have Less Space to Isolate Students This Fall. Is That a Problem?

Where Will Students Apply? - Some are removing colleges that are in states with poor records on coronavirus -- regardless of the qualities of the college. Others aren't considering location as a factor.

Can 2 Jobs Be Merged Into 1? - Harvard’s Kennedy School plans to combine admissions and financial aid positions and to lay off those who hold the positions today. Some experts are dubious.

Bowdoin Raises Minimum Wage to $17 per Hour to Attract Workers - College is hoping the change will help combat worker shortages & reward employees who have stayed with the institution throughout the pandemic.

(Brown) New $19.9M Grant Will Expand Hub for Translational Science, Biomedical Research in Rhode Island

Cornell Sees Record-Breaking Year for Alumni Giving, Engagement

Penn Announces Plans for New Student Performing Arts Center - University has issued an RFP for the proposed $31M project which has been in high demand by the undergraduate student body.

Historic Enrollment Leaves UVM and Middlebury College Strapped for Housing - UVM expects its largest freshman class ever; Middlebury reports more students than usual.

Dartmouth News

Geisel School of Medicine Dean Reappointed - Duane Compton has been reappointed to 4-year term that runs through June 2025.

Scott C. Brown Appointed Interim Dean of the College - Marianne Huger Thomson has been named interim associate dean of Student Affairs.

Ivy+ News

Yale and National U. of Singapore Announce End of Prominent Joint Liberal-Arts College - Effort was to reimagine the liberal arts in an Asian and global context.