As of Jan. 26, 2021 the CDC is mandating that all passengers ages two and above must show proof of a negative COVID-19 test within three days prior to travel to enter the United States. This applies to U.S. citizens and legal permanent residents. It must be a viral test so PCR and antigen tests both qualify. This applies to both public and private air travel.

If you have recovered from COVID-19 in the last three months, you will need to show proof of having it and a letter from your doctor stating you are clear for travel. If you have had the vaccine, you still need to take a COVID-19 test.

Travelers will need to research where to be tested in their final destination prior to leaving on their trip, so that they can make sure they can get the test within the three day window before flying home. It depends on their health insurance policy if the test will be covered outside the U.S.