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IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Youth 12+ Vaccination Against COVID-19

Dear parents/guardians,

As we near the end of the school year, I hope that your family is well, and I am writing to share some information with you regarding the COVID-19 vaccination and children 12 years of age and older.

The provincial government has announced that BC youth between 12 and 17 years old (born in 2009 or earlier) can now register and get vaccinated against COVID-19.

Young people can register and book their appointment:

- online at: <https://gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated>
- by telephone at 1.833.838.2323
- or in person at any Service BC Centre

Our understanding is that most vaccine appointments for children aged 12 to 17 years will take place at the same immunization clinics used to vaccinate people in other age groups. The Ministry of Health is also indicating that household or group vaccination options are available to make it easy for households or multiple young people within a household to be immunized at the same time.

To register online for a vaccine appointment, everyone will need:

- their personal health number (found on their CareCard, driver's license or BC Services Card);
- postal code;
- first and last name;
- date of birth; and
- an email address that gets checked regularly or a phone number that can receive text messages.

If a young person does not have a personal health number, they can register over the phone by calling 1.833.838.2323.

HOW TO GET MORE INFORMATION

For more information about youth vaccination, visit: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/youthvaccine>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Morrow", written in a cursive style.

Dr. Jeremy Morrow
Superintendent of Schools