

Health Newsletter

School District of Beloit

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COVID-19 Vaccine for Teens

COVID-19 continues to cause stress for many of our high school students. Due to COVID-19 precautions, they are not able to go out and see friends and family. Locations they used to frequent are limiting or restricting access. The good news is that there are now vaccines that can help get their lives back on track. We are strongly recommending that our students aged 16 and older get vaccinated, if possible.

Safety of COVID-19 Vaccine

The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has reported that the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine showed to be safe and effective through clinical trials and has approved it for [Emergency Use Authorization](#).

Clinical trials involve data from thousands of participants. This data is reviewed by the FDA, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), and health experts. Data shows that the benefits of the vaccine outweigh the known potential risk of becoming infected with COVID-19 or the vaccine itself. Continued monitoring systems are in place for all vaccines to watch for possible side effects. Those who receive the COVID-19 vaccine are given information on how to report possible side effects. The COVID-19 vaccine is not a live vaccine and cannot make you sick with COVID-19.

The Pfizer vaccine has been approved for teens aged 16 and older.

Efficacy of Vaccine

The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine has shown to be highly effective at protecting you from getting COVID-19, and likely the new strain of COVID-19, two weeks after your second dose has been administered. The interval for the doses of Pfizer is 21 days between doses. Based on research and early data from COVID-19 clinical trials, even if you do get COVID-19, the vaccine may help you from getting critically ill.

Important Links

[Benefits of Getting Vaccinated](#)

[Facts about COVID-19 Vaccines](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions about COVID-19 Vaccination](#)

[Myths about COVID-19 Vaccine](#)

[Pre-Vaccination checklist](#)

[Pregnancy and Breastfeeding](#)

[Rock County Vaccination Phase](#)

[What to expect during Vaccination](#)

[Understanding mRNA COVID-19 vaccines](#)

[US COVID-19 Vaccination Counts](#)

[CDC – COVID-19 Vaccine](#)

Where to get Vaccinated

Blackhawk Technical College Vaccine Clinic is open Tuesday thru Saturday from 11am to 7pm. Or [COVID-19: Vaccine Registry](#)

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