Students, *get the* COVID-19 vaccine!

It can take up to 5 weeks to be fully vaccinated. Get the COVID-19 vaccine today to be prepared for going back to school.

It is important for students to get vaccinated before returning to school.

Why should I get vaccinated?

- **Everyone ages 12 and up can get the COVID-19 vaccine.** The CDC and the American Academy of Pediatrics recommend that everyone in this group get vaccinated as soon as they can. The Pfizer vaccine is the only vaccine available for anyone age 12 and older.

- **COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective.** The Pfizer vaccine has gone through the same safety tests and met the same standards as all other vaccines authorized in the U.S. Millions of people have already gotten the COVID-19 vaccine safely and very few people have had any severe side effects. In fact, people are more likely to have serious long-term effects from getting sick from COVID-19.

- **Getting vaccinated protects yourself and the people around you.** Vaccinated individuals have a lower chance of getting COVID-19. If you do get COVID-19 after getting vaccinated, you are less likely to be seriously ill or spread the virus to others.

- **Vaccine side effects are normal.** Side effects are a sign that your body is building protection against COVID-19. Some vaccine side effects include pain at the injection site, tiredness, headache, muscle pain, chills, joint pain, nausea and vomiting, and fever. Side effects are normal and should go away in a few days.

- **The COVID-19 vaccine is free for everyone.**

Take these action steps

1. Visit your primary health care provider to get vaccinated.

2. Find a COVID-19 vaccine near you at **vaccines.gov**.

3. Enter your ZIP code into the **211 Wisconsin search tool** to find a pop-up or one-day vaccination clinic near you.

Still have questions?

Wanting to know more is a good thing.

- Connect with your child's health care provider to learn more.

- Visit **go.wisc.edu/yourshot**.

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