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Dear Parent/Guardian:

In coordination with the Vermont Department of Health, Vermont Emergency Management, and the Agency of Education, we wanted to let you know about an upcoming vaccination clinic in our area that is available to support our students, ages 12 and up, to receive the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. This clinic is also available to students from independent schools and members of our community, including parents.

We are looking forward to supporting vaccination efforts for our 12-15-year-old students, who are newly eligible to receive the [Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine](#). The Health Department and Vermont pediatricians have put together the linked [two-page information sheet](#) on the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine that outlines why it is safe and effective for this age group.

Please see details about the vaccination clinic below. If you have any questions, please contact Ashley Walker, RN, SVSU COVID-19 Coordinator: ashley.walker@svsu.org. We are eager to support you however we can to help get our students vaccinated for their health, and the health of our community.

Sincerely,

James R. Culkeen, Superintendent and Ashley Walker, RN, SVSU COVID-19 Coordinator

Clinic Details

Clinic Location: SVC Former College Gymnasium

Clinic Street Address: 982 Mansion Drive

Clinic Date(s): 5/22/21 Clinic Hours: 8am-4:30pm

Registration

The best way to reserve a dose of vaccine for your child is to [register online](#). As part of registering online, you will be asked to provide your consent as their parent/guardian for your child to receive the vaccine. More information on registering online is available on the [Health Department website](#).

Anyone who is unable to make their appointment online, needs help, or who wants to speak with someone in a language other than English can call (855) 722-7878 and press 1 for interpretation services, Monday through Friday from 8:15 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. This phone line is TTY enabled.

If your older student is able to independently travel to and from the clinic, you do not need to be present for their appointment, though you are always welcome to attend with them. We also encourage you to make an appointment for yourself if you are not yet vaccinated!

If your child attends the clinic without you, they will be asked to confirm the answers to health questions that were part of the registration process, such as whether or not they:

- have any history of allergic reaction to vaccines or injectable therapies
- are currently sick with COVID-19
- have recently had any other vaccines
- have a bleeding disorder or are taking blood thinners
- are breastfeeding or lactating

Walk-Ins

The best way to ensure a dose is available for your child is to register in advance, but depending on how many registrations are made, we expect there may be a limited number of walk-in doses available. If your child takes advantage of a walk-in appointment, we will need to get your consent for them to be vaccinated in one of three ways:

- You can come to the clinic with your child and give your consent in person.
- You can complete and sign the [Vaccine Consent Form](#).
- A member of the vaccine clinic staff can call you on the phone to talk to you and document your consent.

Other Options to Get Vaccinated

If this community clinic is not at convenient time or location for your family, there are many options statewide to get vaccinated. Your 12-18-year-old can register for vaccine at any community or school-based vaccine clinic providing the Pfizer vaccine. In addition, pharmacies at Kinney Drugs, CVS, Costco and Hannaford's are now offering appointments for Pfizer vaccine to Vermonters aged 12 and up. Please note that each pharmacy has its own process and requirements for parental consent.