



Northern Suburban
Special Education District

May 13, 2021

Dear NSSED Families,

CDC: Choosing Safer Activities

You can find CDC guidance on Choosing Safer Activities for fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people [here](#) and also a one-page reference sheet [here](#).

Lake County Health Department Updates

The Food and Drug Administration has approved emergency use authorization of the Pfizer vaccine in 12-15 year old individuals.

- Lake County can accommodate students at the Lake County Fairgrounds in Grayslake and their partner site in Round Lake.
 - Scheduling for the Fairgrounds can be done through [Allvax](#).
 - Scheduling for the Round Lake (previously K-Mart) site can be done through Curative: cur.tv/lakeco.
 - Families can call the LCHD at 847-377-8130 or email allvax@lakecountyiil.gov with questions.
 - They highly encourage people to make an appointment, but are equipped to take walk-ins.
- Please take advantage of the COVID-19 vaccine now, during late spring and early summer
 - This will allow for enough time before needing to receive school year entry vaccines.
 - An individual (adult or youth) cannot receive another vaccine two weeks prior to or two weeks after receiving a COVID-19 vaccine.

For more information, please see these resources:

- [COVID-19 Vaccinations for Children 12 to 15 Years Old to Begin Thursday at Lake County Health Department Vaccination Sites](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccines Are Now Available For Ages 12 And Older](#)

Cook County Department of Public Health

The Cook County Public Health Department has asked us to pass on this announcement:

COVID-19 Vaccine Available for All Children Age 12+

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recently approved the use of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for all children age 12 and older.

- Beginning on Thursday, May 13, Cook County Health is offering everyone age 12+ the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine free of charge at eight vaccination sites across the suburbs.
- Locations are in Des Plaines, Matteson, South Holland, River Grove, Forest Park, Thornton Fractional, West Leyden and Summit.
- You can make an appointment or just walk-in to any site.
- If you would like to make an appointment, visit vaccine.cookcountyil.gov
- Hours of Operation at Cook County Vaccination Sites are:
 - Monday – Friday
 - Des Plaines, Matteson, South Holland, River Grove and Forest Park: 8AM-8PM
 - Thornton Fractional & West Leyden: 10AM-8PM
 - Summit 8AM-6PM
 - Saturday
 - Des Plaines, Matteson, South Holland, River Grove and Forest Park: 8AM-6PM
 - Thornton Fractional & West Leyden: 8AM-6PM
 - Summit 8AM-6PM
- Patients are encouraged to bring their ID and insurance cards to their appointment. You will not be turned away if you do not have an ID or insurance card.
- Children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian to receive a vaccine.
- Children do not need to bring identification, however parents are asked to bring an ID.
- If a parent does not have an ID, they can confirm at the time of vaccination that they are their child's parent or legal guardian.
- More details about the COVID-19 vaccines and vaccination site locations are available at www.myshotcookcounty.com/locations.
- We are now seeing the highest rates of COVID-19 infections in younger people. If we want children to return to school, sports and social activities as safely as possible, they should be vaccinated. It is our best chance at returning to in-person learning and normal activities.
- Public health officials are urging all eligible individuals to get vaccinated. Please speak with your family physician or pediatrician if you have any questions about vaccination.
- See these flyers for more information:
 - [COVID-19 Vaccinations Walk Ins Welcome](#)

- [Bienvenidos - Vacunas para el COVID-19 sin cita previa](#)

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