# How To Get Your Child's Second COVID-19 Vaccine

Your child received his/her first dose of the COVID-19 Pfizer vaccine today.

Your child requires a second dose to be fully vaccinated. The earliest your child can get his/her second dose is 21 days from today.

The COVID-19 vaccine is free.

## **Vaccine Card**

The vaccine card your child received today is his/her COVID-19 immunization record. You will need to bring this vaccination card to your child's second appointment. Please keep this card in a safe place.

The date on the back of the card is the earliest date your child should get the second dose. It is not an appointment date.

Lost card? Contact the Virginia Department of Health for a new COVID-19 vaccination record card by calling 866-375-9795 or emailing vaccinerecord@vdh.virginia.gov.

# Schedule your Child's Second COVID-19 Vaccine Using VAMS

- Go to: https://guest.vams.cdc.gov/?jurisdiction=FX
- 2. Click "Schedule your 2<sup>nd</sup> dose." Be sure to select Pfizer-BioNTech Covid-19 vaccine.
- 3. Search for appointment dates, times, and locations. The appointment must be scheduled no sooner than the date listed on the back of the vaccination card, or 21 days from the date of their first dose.

A parent or other adult (18 years or older) must physically accompany a minor for the duration of the second COVID-19 vaccine appointment.

# **Need Language Assistance?**

VAMS is currently available in English and Spanish. Users can change their web browser settings to their desired language as an alternative. If you need assistance in another language or have difficulty using the online systems, call the Fairfax County Health Department at 703-324-7404.

# **Other Community Vaccine Providers**

The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine is widely available throughout our community, including private healthcare providers, grocery stores, pharmacies, urgent cares, and Inova.

Use <u>www.vaccines.gov</u> to find additional locations offering COVID-19 vaccine. You may also text your zip code to GETVAX (438829) in English or VACUNA (822862) in Spanish to find locations closest to you.

# Why Two Doses?

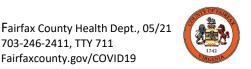
The COVID-19 vaccine teaches our immune systems how to recognize and fight the virus that causes COVID-19. Two shots are required to build immunity.

It typically takes two weeks after vaccination for the body to build protection against the virus that causes COVID-19. That means it is possible your child could still get COVID-19 before or just after vaccination and then get sick because the vaccine did not have enough time to provide protection. Your child is considered fully vaccinated 2 weeks after his/her second dose.

Fully vaccinated people can resume some activities without wearing a mask or physically distancing, except where required by federal and state laws or as required by local businesses, schools and workplaces.

## **Questions?**

If you have questions or need assistance, please call the Fairfax County Health Department's Vaccine Call Center at 703-324-7404.



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#### Arabic:

https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/ Health-FCPS-Second-Dose-Arabic.pdf

#### Chinese:

https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/ Health-FCPS-Second-Dose-Chinese.pdf

#### Farsi:

https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/ Health-FCPS-Second-Dose-Farsi.pdf

#### Korean:

https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/ Health-FCPS-Second-Dose-Korean.pdf

## Spanish:

https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/ Health-FCPS-Second-Dose-Spanish.pdf

#### Urdu:

https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/ Health-FCPS-Second-Dose-Urdu.pdf

#### Vietnamese:

https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/ Health-FCPS-Second-Dose-Vietnamese.pdf