

Dear Families,

Interior Health works closely with Central Okanagan Public Schools to ensure the safety and health of students and staff. The most effective measure to keep schools safe is vaccination.

To make access to vaccines convenient for families, COVID-19 vaccine clinics are scheduled for the following dates and locations, **from 3:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.:**

Lake Country - Sept. 16

George Elliot Secondary School, 10241 Bottom Wood Lake Road

Rutland - Sept. 21

Rutland Middle School, 715 Rutland Road North

West Kelowna - Sept. 22

Constable Neil Bruce Middle School, 2010 Daimler Road

Kelowna

Sept. 23 – Dr. Knox Middle School, 121 Drysdale Blvd.

Sept. 24 - KLO Middle School, 3130 Gordon Drive

Clinics are open to eligible students, staff, and school community family members for first or second vaccine doses. Please remember to bring BC Care Cards to the clinic.

Additional COVID-19 vaccine clinics throughout the community are regularly updated here: https://news.interiorhealth.ca/news/covid-19-immunization-clinics/

To learn about mature minor consent visit: http://www.bccdc.ca/health-professionals/clinical-resources/informed-consent-for-immunization

Parents and guardians are welcome to accompany children at the time of vaccination.

About the COVID-19 Vaccines:

Getting vaccinated is the best way to protect yourself, your family, and your community from the virus that causes COVID-19. The Health Canada authorized COVID-19 vaccines are safe and highly effective at preventing severe illness, hospitalization, and death.

For the strongest protection against COVID-19, you need to be fully vaccinated. The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines require two doses, and a person is considered fully vaccinated seven days after getting the second dose.

We recognize and acknowledge that we are collectively gathered on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the seven Interior Region First Nations, where we live, learn, collaborate, and work together. This region is also home to 15 Chartered Métis Communities. It is with humility that we continue to strengthen our relationships with First Nation, Métis, and Inuit peoples across the Interior.