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FYI – information regarding school divisions partnering with providers/health department to stand up vaccination clinics during school day. The kit includes permission slips and other considerations to promote and message to families. Including Bob as the recommendation is to involve division counsel.

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The Department of Education and the Department of Health and Human Services sent a joint [letter](#) to school officials today. The Departments urged school officials to (1) host a COVID-19 vaccination clinic at their school(s), (2) distribute information about the COVID-19 vaccine to all families with children ages 5–11 years, and (3) hold conversations with their school communities on the COVID-19 vaccine.

We will share more information and updated websites relating to school-located vaccination in a follow-up email later this week, including updates to [this webpage](#) with best practices for school districts on how to host a clinic. The guidance will provide information on roles and responsibilities for conducting the clinic, picking a date and location, conducting outreach, and hosting the clinic itself. It will also include the following best practices on how to partner with a COVID-19 vaccine provider.

### **How to partner with a COVID-19 vaccine provider:**

Vaccine providers include [local health departments](#), [community health centers](#), pediatric clinics, pharmacies, [children's hospitals](#), and other medical providers. For help with the identification of an appropriate vaccine provider:

- **First**, consider partnering with providers you have used for flu vaccination clinics, providers your school district used for adolescent COVID-19 vaccination clinics or contact your local health department regarding potential partners.
- **You can also** visit [Vaccines.gov](#) to identify vaccine providers near you, and you may [contact pharmacies](#) to request if they have the ability to support a vaccination clinic.
- **If your school district cannot find a vaccine provider** using the steps outlined above, you may request to be matched by the CDC to a pharmacy in your area, if they have the ability to support a vaccination clinic. To start this matching process, school districts will need to complete a form online. **This form, and additional information on the process, will be available on [cdc.gov](#) later this week.**

The following links provide additional information about pediatric COVID-19 vaccination and school-located vaccination clinics.

- [COVID-19 Vaccination for Children 5-11 Years Old | CDC](#)

- [COVID-19 Vaccines for Children and Teens | CDC](#)
- [Considerations for Planning School-Located Vaccination Clinics | CDC](#)
- [Guidance for COVID-19 Prevention in K-12 Schools | CDC](#)
- [Guide to On-Site Vaccination Clinics for School | WECANDOTHIS.HHS.GOV](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions about COVID-19 Vaccination | CDC](#)

Sincerely,

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[Back to School, Information for School Nurses](#)  
[COVID-19 Resources for VA School Nurses](#)  
[Professional Development for VA School Nurses](#)

[Sign up for \*\*NEW\*\* School Health/Nurse Listserv \(2020-21\)](#) to receive the most updated school health information.