

The COVID-19 vaccine supply is increasing. As a result, Ohio has opened eligibility to all Ohioans age 16 and older. The Union County Health Department is currently receiving the Pfizer vaccine which is approved for persons age 16 and 17 years old. If you are interested in COVID-19 vaccination for your 16 or 17 year old child, please consider making an appointment soon through the Union County Health Departments vaccination clinics. While the Health Department is currently receiving the Pfizer vaccine, it is uncertain how long this vaccine may be available. Vaccine shipments (including which manufacture is received) are subject to change on a week to week basis.

COVID-19 vaccination through the Union County Health Department is by appointment. Appointments can be booked at www.uchdclinic.org. Please note, the appointment scheduler typically opens on Fridays at about 10am. Appointments often book quickly. If you do not have a computer or internet access, you can call the Union County Health Department at (937) 642-2053 on Fridays after 10am to get assistance in booking an online appointment.

The Union County Health Department vaccination clinics are held Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays via a drive thru model at the Union County Fairgrounds. Late morning, afternoon, and evening hours are available. Per guidance from the Ohio Department of Health, a parent or legal guardian must accompany a minor under age 18.

Students who miss school for a vaccination appointment are considered to have a medically excused absence and a note can be provided if necessary.

If you are unable to schedule an appointment in Union County, parents and teens can find additional vaccination opportunities at:

- VaccinateOH.org
- <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/dashboards/covid-19-vaccine/covid-19-vaccine-provider-dashboard>

When booking an appointment, please confirm that the vaccine you would receive is Pfizer if the vaccine recipient is under the age of 18.

BENEFITS of COVID-19 VACCINATION

- Helps protect yourself - reduced risk for severe illness from COVID-19 for the vaccine recipient
- Helps protect others – helps protect vulnerable people within our community

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