



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Window to be Fully Vaccinated Before School is Narrowing Tri-county offers multiple COVID-19 vaccine clinic locations

OSHKOSH, Wis. (July 19, 2021) – The public health departments from Calumet, Outagamie and Winnebago counties recommend individuals 12 years and older receive their COVID-19 vaccinations before students head back to school this fall. There is a narrow window right now for folks wishing to be fully vaccinated before the start of school, especially for those seeking a Moderna or Pfizer vaccine. Both Pfizer and Moderna require two doses, and a person is not fully vaccinated until 14 days after their second shot.

“The more people we can protect against COVID-19, especially with the rise in variants, the more successful and healthy our upcoming school year will be,” said Doug Gieryn, director/health officer for the Winnebago County Health Department.

Pfizer is the only vaccine approved for 12- to 17-year-olds, and it requires 21 days between doses. In order for someone receiving the Pfizer vaccine to be considered fully vaccinated by September 1, they would need to start their vaccination series no later than Tuesday, July 27.

“Having students and staff getting vaccinated when they are eligible will support schools as they plan in-classroom activities with the goal of minimal interruption to day-to-day learning.” stated Natalie Vandeveld, Outagamie County Public Health Officer/Manager. “We cannot lose sight of the combined efforts that educators had last school year. Continuing to encourage people to be vaccinated is one more way we, as a community, can provide support to our schools and their families.”

People 18 years and older also have the option to get the Moderna or Johnson and Johnson vaccine. Moderna requires 28 days between doses, so the first shot would need to be administered by Tuesday, July 20, for someone to be fully vaccinated by September 1. Johnson & Johnson is a single dose vaccine, so individuals would need to receive their vaccination by August 17.

There are several local opportunities for people to receive their COVID-19 vaccination, including the Regional Vaccine Tour, a partnership with the Wisconsin National Guard and local county health departments designed to provide weekly COVID-19 vaccination clinics at various locations throughout the Fox Valley region.

Regional Vaccine Tour Details:

- Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Nekimi Town Hall (3790 Pickett Rd., Oshkosh)
- Tuesdays, 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. at Fox Crossing Fire Department (1326 Cold Spring Rd., Neenah)
- Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Black Creek Fire Department (W5200 County Rd. B, Black Creek)
- Wednesdays, 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. at Shiocton-Bovina Fire Department (W7740 Pine St., Shiocton)
- Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at New Holstein Community Center (1725 Silver Moon Ln., New Holstein)
- Thursdays, 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. at Brillion Community Center (120 Center St., Brillion)

Pfizer and Johnson and Johnson vaccines are administered at the Regional Vaccine Tour sites. Additional information can be found at www.wcvaccine.org/regionaltour.

Additional walk-in vaccine clinics that are happening through Tuesday, July 27, can be found below. These are all walk-in clinics that provide the Pfizer vaccine. Moderna and Johnson and Johnson may also be provided; please refer to your local health department for further details.

- Wednesday, July 21, Walk-In Wednesday at Sunnyview Expo Center (500 E. Cty. Rd. Y, Oshkosh) from 1 to 6 p.m.
- Thursday, July 22, St. Andrew's Church (1100 E. Murdock St., Oshkosh) from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Thursday, July 22, Tipler Middle School (325 S. Eagle St., Oshkosh) from 2 to 6 p.m.
- Saturday, July 24, Oshkosh Farmers Market at the Time Community Theater (445 N. Main St., Oshkosh) from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 27, Menasha Health Department (100 Main St., Menasha) from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Monday thru Friday, Outagamie County Government Center (320 S. Walnut St., Appleton) from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The COVID-19 vaccine is also offered at many local pharmacies, retail stores such as Walmart, and grocery stores including Pick n' Save. Contact your local health department, physician or pharmacist for assistance finding a vaccine.

Free assistance is available to individuals in Winnebago, Outagamie and Calumet counties who need transportation or help navigating transportation options to their COVID-19 vaccination appointments. Call Make the Ride Happen at 920-225-1719 between 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, to schedule a ride.

For questions related to COVID-19 or vaccine clinics, contact your local health department.

Appleton Health Department:

<https://www.appleton.org/residents/health>
<https://www.facebook.com/appletoncityhall>

Menasha Health Department:

<https://www.cityofmenasha-wi.gov/departments/health/index.php>
<https://www.facebook.com/menashahealthdepartment>

Calumet County Public Health:

<https://www.calumetcounty.org/156/Public-Health>
<https://www.facebook.com/calumetcountypublichealth>

Outagamie County Public Health:

<https://www.outagamie.org/government/f-through-m/health-human-services/public-health>
<https://www.facebook.com/OCPublicHealth/>

Winnebago County Public Health:

<https://www.co.winnebago.wi.us/health>
<https://www.wcvaccine.org>
<https://www.facebook.com/WinnebagoHealth/>

###