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Parents or Guardians of Students 12 years and older,

On Wednesday May 12, ACIP and CDC approved the use of Pfizer vaccine for adolescents ages 12-15 years. The LENOWISCO Health District is pleased to offer the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for those students 12 years and older at JI Burton High School on Tuesday, May 18 at 10:00 a.m. Students under the age of 12 are not eligible to be vaccinated at this time. The LENOWISCO Health District will plan to offer Covid19 vaccine for middle school students who are 12 years and older at a later date. Students that are 12 years and older may also access Pfizer vaccine at Wise County/Norton City Health Department, Ballad Health, and at the following local pharmacies: Food City Wise, Walgreens Coeburn and Walgreens St Paul.

The Pfizer vaccine is a two-dose series and approved for ages 12 and older. The second dose is recommended to be given 3 weeks after the first dose. Two weeks after receiving the second dose, persons are considered fully vaccinated. Over the past few weeks, COVID-19 cases are on the rise in our schools and communities. Being fully vaccinated reduces the risk of disease, hospitalization, and death. Being vaccinated also protects friends, family, and the community.


Once fully vaccinated, you do not have to quarantine if exposed to COVID-19. It is important for those 12 and older to be vaccinated to help prevent the spread of the virus in schools, sports, and other extracurricular activities. Wearing masks, social distancing, washing hands help reduce the spread, and now receiving the COVID-19 vaccine is an important tool to help prevent the spread of disease.

Common side effects from the vaccine include pain at the injection site, headache, muscle or joint pain, fever, and chills. These side effects typically resolve within 12-24 hours. Please review the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for specific vaccine information.

To register your student for a vaccine, you will sign them up online on the VDH PrepMod system. To schedule the appointment, review the EUA, and sign the consent, please use this specific vaccine link:
<https://vaccineappointments.virginia.gov/appointment/en/reg/4812606579>

The consent must be signed in order to receive the vaccine. If needed, you can contact your local health department to request assistance at prepmodsupport@vdh.virginia.gov, or call the numbers listed in the above letterhead for assistance with scheduling.

Best Regards,



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