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Moonachie Families & Friends -

Each person is affected by COVID-19 differently. As we have learned, there is no way to predict how sick one will become should he/she contract COVID-19.

The CDC now recommends everyone ages 5 and older get a COVID-19 vaccine to help protect against COVID-19. The vaccines are highly effective at preventing severe illness, hospitalization or death. The Moonachie School District would like to communicate the following points to our families, with regard to the vaccination of our students:

- 1) The decision to vaccinate your child is a parental choice. We stand ready to answer any questions you may have. We are also sharing links below to help your research efforts. We further recommended that you speak with your child's pediatrician to make an informed choice.
- 2) Fully vaccinated students do not need to quarantine from exposure or international travel, unless he/she experience COVID-like symptoms.
- 3) If your child receives the COVID-19 vaccine, please provide a copy of the vaccine card to Nurse Gallo so she may update your child's medical record. Sharing with us your child's vaccination status is optional but it does support our efforts in decision making. You may send a copy into school, attention Nurse Gallo, or send a copy to her email dgallo@moonachieschool.org

As always, Nurse Gallo is available to answer any questions you may have. Below are a few links to the CDC website and information on COVID-19 vaccines for children.

CDC Vaccine Recommendations for Children and Teens:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/recommendations/children-teens.html#print>

Frequently Asked Questions from Parents/Guardians about COVID-19 and the Vaccines:

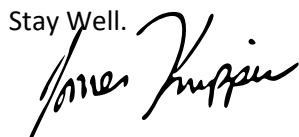
<https://wecandothis.hhs.gov/frequently-asked-questions-from-parents-guardians-about-covid-19-and-the-vaccines>

NJDOH COVID Vaccines for Children Flyer:

https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/covid19_vax_kids.pdf

Should updated guidance or requirements be shared by the Governor's Office or the NJ Department of Health, we will update the community accordingly.

Stay Well.



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