



# 3 Reasons to Vaccinate Your Kids Before School

## 1. Protect them from COVID-19 disease

Even though symptomatic COVID-19 disease is less common in youth, it can still happen and be very severe. Side effects from COVID-19 disease in youth can be serious and last for many months.

## 2. No need to quarantine if fully vaccinated

Don't miss out on important in-class learning and other fun school activities. Unvaccinated students will be excluded from sports, clubs, and other extracurricular activities and may be excluded from school if they are exposed to COVID-19.

## 3. No more routine testing if fully vaccinated

In most cases, children who are vaccinated only need to get tested if they develop symptoms of COVID-19. That means fewer nose swabs if youth are vaccinated.

## Where can youth aged 12 to 17 get vaccinated?

- The County Health System and other providers are vaccinating youth at sites across Santa Clara County, including weekends and evenings.
- Search for drop-in locations and appointment information at [sccfreevax.org](http://sccfreevax.org), or call (408) 970-2000.
- Staff are onsite to support language needs and disability access. Call 7-1-1 for Hearing and Speech Relay Service.
- You can also check with your pediatrician or local pharmacy.