



Halton Region Public Health  
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Dear Parents and Guardians,

COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective, and the best way to protect your child, family, and community from COVID-19.

Starting **Monday, May 31**, Halton youth 12 to 17 years old who live or attend school in Halton, and older students returning to secondary school this September, will be able to book their COVID-19 vaccination appointments through our [online booking system](#). Booking appointments online is fast and easy to do. Attached, please find [step-by-step instructions](#) for booking vaccination appointments online. If you are not able to book an appointment online, please contact Access Halton by calling 311 or emailing [accesshalton@halton.ca](mailto:accesshalton@halton.ca).

Halton Region Public Health, in partnership with local school boards, is committed to following Provincial direction to offer first doses to all 12 to 17 year olds in June, and second doses by the end of August. Appointments for the Youth Vaccination Program will be available at Halton COVID-19 vaccination community clinic locations administering the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine. Please note that youth must have had their 12th birthday by the date of the first dose of COVID-19 vaccine.

To help youth and families, the Government of Ontario has developed a fact sheet (attached) based on expert medical advice and scientific information. It covers key areas including:

- Safety of the vaccine for youth
- Why vaccination is important
- Effectiveness of the vaccine for youth

Halton Region Public Health has [dedicated webpages](#) that provide additional information about vaccine safety, and how to book and prepare for your child's vaccination appointments.

Supporting your child to be vaccinated against COVID-19 is an important step in the fight against this disease. Vaccination will help students and families safely resume normal activities as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Meghani".

Dr. Hamidah Meghani,  
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## How to Book Youth COVID-19 Vaccination Appointments

This page shows how to book appointments for youth to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

Important things to know:

- Vaccination for youth 12 years and older is safe, effective and the best way to be protected from COVID-19.
- Youth 12-17 years of age who live or attend school in Halton, and students 18 years of age and older who are returning to secondary school this fall, may book appointments.
- Youth are strongly encouraged to receive a first dose in June, and a second dose by the end of August.

### How to Book Youth COVID-19 Vaccination Appointments

1. To book an appointment online, visit [Halton's COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic webpage](#).
2. Click on “Book your appointment now” in the blue banner. To access the vaccine appointment booking form, you will need to use the latest version of Chrome, Safari, Firefox or Microsoft Edge (Windows 10 only).

 Book your appointment now

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3. Under the “Eligibility” section choose **“12-17 year olds and eligible students returning to secondary school”** tile and scroll down to complete the required information below.
4. Enter the date of birth and postal code of the youth. Answer the question on allergies. Answer the question on which appointment is being booked (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> dose) and click “Next”.
  - a. If you are booking a “2<sup>nd</sup> dose only” appointment, you will be asked to indicate the date of the first dose, what vaccine was given and if the first dose was given in Ontario.
5. Under “Client Information”, answer the question if the youth is booking the appointment or if a parent/guardian is booking on their behalf. Enter the youth’s first and last name. If the youth has an Ontario Health Card, enter the number. If they do not have an Ontario Health Card, select “no”, choose an alternate form of

identification, and enter the identification number. If they do not have any of the alternative IDs listed they can select “other” and enter a number for an alternative ID such as an Ontario photo card or a student card. If the youth does not have any type of alternate forms of identification please call 311 to book an appointment.

- a. Enter the youth’s gender, address, phone number, email address (the email address of who the appointment confirmation will be sent to) and indicate if you wish to receive email communications related to your appointment from Halton Region. Click “Next”.
6. Under “Select Appointment” choose a 1<sup>st</sup> dose location and appointment time and then a 2<sup>nd</sup> dose location and appointment time and click “Next”. (Note: 1<sup>st</sup> dose appointments will be scheduled in June and 2<sup>nd</sup> dose appointments will be scheduled in August. Appointments do not need to be at the same location).
  7. Under “Review”, answer the question on whether or not you would like to be on the standby list to possibly receive an earlier appointment. Verify whether the information provided is correct and click “Book Now”.
  8. Under “Confirm”, confirm the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> dose appointment location, dates and times provided. You will be able to print this page. If you provided an email address, you will receive a confirmation email with the appointment details. You will also receive a reminder email closer to the appointment day.

If you have trouble following these steps to book an appointment, you may call 311 to ask for help. Please only call 311 if you are unable to book online.