



PFIZER VACCINATION CLINICS FOR AGES 5-11 SET FOR DEC. 4 & 18

JEFFERSON COUNTY—Two Pfizer vaccination clinics for children ages 5-11 will happen in December. The clinics will provide first and second doses of vaccine. A second dose should occur at least three weeks after the first dose. Appointments are required. Details:

- **Saturday, December 4, 9 AM-12 PM**, Blue Heron Middle School, 3939 San Juan Ave, Port Townsend. Schedule online: <https://prepmo.doh.wa.gov//appointment/en/reg/9124679067> or call the Department of Emergency Management Call Center at 360-344-9791, M-F 9 AM-5 PM.
- **Saturday, December 18, 9 AM-12 PM**, Chimacum Junior/Senior High School Multi-Purpose Room, 93 West Valley Road, Chimacum. Schedule online: <https://prepmo.doh.wa.gov//appointment/en/reg/9069924918> or call the Department of Emergency Management Call Center at 360-344-9791, M-F 9 AM-5 PM.

Parents of children receiving a second dose should bring proof of their child's first dose.

The vaccine dosage for this age range is one third the dosage required for older children and adults. Pfizer vaccines for children are also available at some area pharmacies and through healthcare providers. Click here to learn more: <https://jeffersoncountypublichealth.org/1529/COVID-19-Vaccine> or call the Department of Emergency Management Call Center at 360-344-9791.

Vaccinations for Children 5-11: Know Before You Go

Prepare your child for what to expect:

- Address your child's concerns about receiving a vaccine.
- If your child is afraid the shot might hurt, tell them you will be right there so they can squeeze your hand and it will be finished before they can count to three.
- Let them know that getting vaccinated helps them to stay healthy and it also helps others around them stay healthy.

What to bring to your appointment:

- If possible, make sure your child wears a short-sleeved shirt under their jacket so the vaccinators can access their upper arm easily.
- Bring a book, cell phone, or tablet to help keep your child occupied while they are monitored for 15 minutes after being vaccinated.
- If you bring more than one child to the vaccination clinic, consider bringing another person along to help you.

IMPORTANT: Vaccines for children **12 and older will NOT be offered** at this clinic. Check with your physician or visit the Jefferson County Public Health website for more vaccination options.

Possible side effects:

As is true with other immunizations, your child may experience some side effects from one or both doses of the vaccine. Side effects may include:

- Pain, swelling or redness at the injection site
- Fever and chills
- Headache
- Fatigue
- Muscle and joint pain

These side effects are relatively mild and generally don't last beyond 24-48 hours. During that time, give your child plenty of liquids, allow time for extra rest and, if needed, give them an over-the-counter pain reliever such as ibuprofen or acetaminophen. Putting an ice pack on the injection site might help to relieve the site tenderness.

The clinics are organized and operated by the Jefferson County Department of Emergency Management and Jefferson County Public Health.

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