

East Prairie Parents/Guardians of 12, 13, and 14 Years Olds,

The Village of Skokie will be offering Skokie school students an opportunity to be vaccinated with the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine on May 25. Students are asked to be at school by 12:30 p.m. The East Prairie bus will be leaving at 12:40 p.m. with all students who have registered and have a parent permission form. Students will return to school with school staff and resume their regular school day.

The Skokie Health Department asked us to highlight the freedoms that will open to your child once they become fully vaccinated.

- Any student who is fully vaccinated (14 days after dose# 2) will NOT have to quarantine if they are exposed to a COVID positive individual unless they develop symptoms.
- More freedom for student athletes.
- More freedom for student activities, such as choir, band, dance, etc.
- Throughout the summer, there will be many social opportunities that will require proof of vaccination to attend such as camps, sports, concerts, and gatherings.

Many Skokie families have experienced their child being quarantined and converted to remote learning due to an exposure on the bus, in the classroom, during team practices and events, or even transportation to and from school and activities. We understand it is disrupting to family schedules, academic progress, and social support when a student must quarantine. By selecting to fully vaccinate your student, the need for quarantine due to an exposure will be eliminated, UNLESS your student begins to experience symptoms or is feeling ill. This is a major step to returning to pre-COVID activities and privileges.

We hope to see you at our East Prairie Student Vaccination Clinic. Here is the link to register: <u>May 25 - District 73 - Village of Skokie - 1st Dose Pfizer (juvare.com)</u> Please print and bring personalized QR code.

Please also complete the attached permission form and send it to school by Monday, May 24. If you need assistance completing any of these forms, please contact our main office.

In partnership,

The East Prairie Team