

Original communication via email 09/03/2021:

Dear HomeLink families,

This message contains important information about a new legal requirement for K-12 school districts. Please read this message carefully, in its entirety.

Earlier this month, Gov. Jay Inslee announced a new directive legally requiring all K-12 school district employees to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19, or to obtain a medical or religious exemption, by Monday, Oct. 18, 2021. **This includes all employees in Lake Stevens School District, including substitutes, coaches, volunteers, partners and contractors.**

You are receiving this message because you are an approved volunteer/partner in the Lake Stevens School District.

Vaccination Details

- You must be at least 14 days past the last dose of the applicable COVID-19 vaccine regimen by the date listed in the chart at the bottom of this message.
- Volunteers who are vaccinated will need to provide proof of vaccination. Attestation is not an allowable substitute for proof of vaccination. The information you provide regarding vaccination is a confidential record, and is not subject to disclosure.
- There are options for volunteers to request a medical or religious exemption. The applicable forms are attached to this message.

[Please follow this link](#) to submit your proof of vaccination, or to request appropriate exemption forms.

Some of the key elements of the proclamation are outlined below:

- Lake Stevens School District and our Board of Directors **do not** have local control over this matter. We are legally required to follow the Governor's mandate.
- There is not an option to undergo regular testing for COVID-19 instead of receiving a vaccination or exemption.
- **Vaccination is a condition of volunteering.** If you do not provide proof of full vaccination or obtain a medical or religious accommodation by Monday, Oct. 18, 2021, you will be unable to volunteer in our schools and district.
- This proclamation does not include vaccine requirements for students. It also does not replace the current requirement for all students, staff, and visitors to wear face coverings in schools and on school buses.

Vaccinations are readily available at local pharmacies and healthcare providers. **[Use this link to locate a vaccination appointment near you.](#)** Vaccination is the most effective tool we have in combating COVID-19. The currently approved COVID-19 vaccines are free, safe, and continuing to undergo the most intense safety monitoring in U.S. history. Millions of Americans have been vaccinated against COVID-19.

Please refer to the **[frequently asked questions document](#)** on the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction's (OSPI) website for additional information.

Thank you for your service to our district, and for helping to protect the health and safety of our students and employees.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ken Collins

Superintendent

Vaccine	Series dose requirement	First dose no later than	Second dose	Completed series	Fully vaccinated
Pfizer	2 doses, 21 days apart	09/13/21	10/04/21	10/04/21	10/18/21
Moderna	2 doses, 28 days apart	09/06/21	10/04/21	10/04/21	10/18/21
Johnson & Johnson	Single dose	10/04/21	N/A	10/04/21	10/18/21