

Immunization status: Grade 9 students

Dear Student/Parent/Guardian/Representative,

We have checked the student's immunization status. Our records show they need vaccines.

Getting vaccinated on schedule is the best way to protect yourself from many dangerous diseases. We regularly check student immunization records to help make sure they stay up-to-date on vaccines.

We offer all routine vaccines needed when students are in Grade 9. These are offered at school.

Please complete the following steps:

1. Review the attached form that lists the vaccines the student needs.
The student should talk about the consent for vaccines with their parent, guardian, or representative.
2. We recommend that the student/parent/ guardian/representative consent to all vaccines by signing the attached form. If the student signs the consent form, the immunizing nurse will assess the student's ability to provide informed consent.
3. Scan the QR codes below and read the information about the recommended vaccines. (We offer only the vaccines the student needs, as shown on the consent form).

Grade 9 Immunizations in B.C.



healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/grade-9-immunizations-bc

Grade 9 Catch-up Immunizations



patienteduc.fraserhealth.ca/permalink/655490

HPV vaccine to protect from cancer



immunizebc.ca/hpv

The Infants Act, Mature Minor Consent and Immunization



healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/infants-act-mature-minor-consent-and-immunization

Mature Minor Consent

Individuals under the age of 19 who are able to understand the benefits, common mild side effects, and rare serious side effects for the vaccines, medical reasons to not receive a vaccine, and the risk of not getting immunized, can legally consent to or refuse immunizations on their own. This means that Grade 9 students may decide whether or not to receive a vaccine. You are encouraged to review and discuss the information in this package with your parent or guardian. More information on mature minor consent can be found in the above *Infants Act, Mature Minor Consent and Immunization* HealthLinkBC File #119.

4. Complete and sign the attached consent form.
Please note: The consent is valid for 2 years unless you cancel it.
5. Return the signed consent form, including any extra immunization records, to the school sealed in the envelope provided.

If the immunization record is not complete or not correct

If vaccines were given by a health care provider outside of Public Health such as a family doctor, nurse practitioner, or pharmacy, the vaccines might not be included in the report.

- Contact the health care provider who gave the vaccines and ask for a copy of the immunization record.
- Report the immunizations to Public Health either of these ways:
 - Include it with the signed consent form and return it to the school sealed in the envelope provided.
 - Submit it online at FraserHealth.ca/immunizationform.



Immunization clinics

If you returned a signed consent form, we will give you all the vaccines you need on the day of the school immunization clinic.

We will give you an immunization record. Please keep this record at home.

Added resources

- Helpful tips to make the immunization experience a positive one, visit: ImmunizeBC.ca/how-reduce-pain-stress-and-anxiety-vaccinations-adults
- B.C.'s immunization schedule: ImmunizeBC.ca/vaccine-schedules
- Fraser Health information and resources on immunizations: FraserHealth.ca/immunize

If you have questions, please call your local public health unit.

Sincerely,

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