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Darien High Seniors Can Register for May 1 and May 2 COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

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Darien High School seniors can now register to get the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine on May 1, and the second dose on May 22 at the parking lot of the former Lord & Taylor store in Stamford, Darien officials announced.

"We anticipate opening the registration link to all students over 16 years of age or older by next week," the announcement from schools Nursing Director Alicia Casucci and town Health Director David Knauf said.

In a separate announcement, First Selectman Jayme Stevenson said Darien has had 58 new cases during the two-week period since April 2.

"We are tracking information about folks who are fully vaccinated who then contract COVID," Stevenson said in her regular, weekly COVID-19 update. "Only one such case has occurred in Darien so far."

Stevenson also said: Among those tested for the coronavirus, 2.3% of Darien residents have tested positive. So far, 45% of all Darien residents have been vaccinated.

Full Text of the Announcement

Dear Parents of the Class of 2021,

We are thrilled to announce, in collaboration with the Community Health Center (CHC), a Pfizer COVID vaccine clinic has been scheduled for Darien High School students. The registration is currently open to SENIOR students only.

We anticipate opening the registration link to all students over 16 years of age or older by next week. An update will be sent to families when the registration has been expanded.

DARIEN HIGH SCHOOL PFIZER COVID VACCINE SCHEDULE:

First Dose	Second Dose	Time Frame
May 1st	May 22nd	1 to 4 p.m.

The first dose clinic will be held on May 1, 2021 from 1 to 4 p.m. and the second dose clinic will be held on May 22, 2021, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the [Lord & Taylor vaccination site](#) in Stamford.

The appointment time selected for the first dose on May 1, 2021, will be the appointment time for the second dose on May 22, 2021.

Below is the registration link for your families and students to use for registration. Individuals over 18 can self-register. For those, under 18 registration will require the consent of a parent or guardian.

[DARIEN HIGH SCHOOL VACCINE CLINIC REGISTRATION LINK](#)

We hope you will take advantage of the opportunity to vaccinate your child!

Sincerely,

Alicia Casucci, APRN, CPNP
Director of Nursing Services
Darien Public Schools

David Knauf, MPH, MS, RS
Director of Health
Darien Health Department

First Selectman's COVID-19 Update

Good evening. This is First Selectman Jayme Stevenson with a COVID-19 update for Thursday, April 15.

There have been 58 new cases during the two-week period since April 2. Darien's positivity rate stands at 2.3%. There have been a total of 1,467 cases from 928 unique households and no new hospitalizations since my last report. Darien Public Schools report 16 active cases resulting in 72 quarantines.

As a reminder, Darien Public School students will be remote learning from April 19-23 after spring break. Whether you have traveled or not, if you feel sick, stay home, get tested and wait for a negative result before resuming your daily activities.

Darien Public Schools in collaboration with Community Health Centers has arranged for Darien High School Class of 2021 students to receive their first dose of Pfizer vaccine on May 1 at the CHC site at [the Lord & Taylor site](#) (110 High Ridge Road) in Stamford.

Students can register at [DARIEN HIGH SCHOOL VACCINE CLINIC REGISTRATION LINK](#). Registration information is posted on the Town of Darien website. Class of 2021 students under the age of 18 who wish to be vaccinated will require parental consent to do so.

Over 45% of all eligible Darien residents have received their first dose of vaccine. Given our large population of residents under the age of 20, this is very good news. Darien vaccine clinics are held twice a week in the Town Hall gymnasium. Only Moderna vaccines are being offered at this time.

We are tracking information about folks who are fully vaccinated who then contract COVID. Only one such case has occurred in Darien so far.

Out of an abundance of caution, Connecticut, in accordance with the FDA & CDC, has paused on providing Johnson & Johnson vaccines due to 6 cases of blood clots post-vaccine reported in the U.S. This side effect is extremely rare — a one in a million chance of occurrence.

If you have received the J&J vaccine and develop severe headache, abdominal or leg pain or shortness of breath within 3 weeks of your vaccine, please contact your healthcare provider.

You can find a local vaccine provider at www.CovidVaccineFinder.ct.gov or register for vaccines at www.vams.cdc.gov or by calling 1(877)918-2224.

Local vaccine providers include Grieb's Pharmacy www.griebspharmacy.com, Walgreens www.walgreens.com/schedulevaccine, Stamford Hospital <https://stamfordhealth.org>, Yale New Haven Health www.ynhhs.org and certain Stop & Shop Pharmacies www.StopandShop.com.

Statewide COVID-19 data can be found at www.ct.gov/coronavirus and Darien-specific data

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at www.darienct.gov/covid19. Please visit www.cdc.gov for more information on travel recommendations and rules for folks who are fully vaccinated.

I appreciate your continued diligence with mask wearing and distancing. As we move into the summer and the majority of folks are vaccinated, I'm very hopeful these rules will be relaxed.

Thank you and good evening!