



MADISON COUNTY DEPARTMENT of HEALTH

Eric Faisst, Director of Public Health

Dr. John B. Endres, President of Board of Health

May 12, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian:

On May 10, 2021 the U.S. Food and Drug Administration expanded the emergency use authorization (EUA) for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine for the prevention of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) to include adolescents 12 through 15 years of age. This means anyone age 12 years or older may now receive the Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine.

The Pfizer vaccine was the first COVID-19 vaccine to receive emergency use authorization from the FDA on December 11, 2020. Since then, millions of Americans have been vaccinated with the Pfizer vaccine. The Pfizer vaccine is a two shot series with the shots given 21 days apart. The vaccine is about 95% effective at preventing COVID-19 illness after you are fully vaccinated. An individual is considered fully vaccinated 14 days after receiving their second dose.

Vaccination is an important choice that you and your family will make. You may have questions about the vaccines and want additional information about safety and effectiveness. Credible information about the vaccines can be found through the following resources:

- **FDA Fact sheet** <https://www.fda.gov/media/144414/download>
- **CDC COVID-19 Vaccine website** <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/index.html>
- **Madison County COVID Vaccine Nurse Hotline:** Call Monday-Friday 8am-4pm: 315-366-2770

COVID-19 vaccines help protect your child and your family and are an important tool to help end the pandemic. We highly encourage you to look into our provided resources so you can be confident in making the decision to vaccinate your child.

Madison County Department of Health will be holding a Pfizer vaccination clinic on May 18, 2021 from 9am-5pm at the SUNY Morrisville campus. To make an appointment for yourself or your child use this link: [HTTP://BIT.LY/051821PFIZER](http://bit.ly/051821pfizer) or schedule using one of the three ways outlined below.

THREE WAYS TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

Use the QR code
HOVER SMARTPHONE
CAMERA OVER QR
CODE. CLICK THE POP-
UP LINK.



**Type link in
browser:**
[HTTP://BIT.LY/051821PFIZER](http://bit.ly/051821pfizer)

**Visit your
School's
website**

Sincerely,

Eric Faisst, Public Health Director



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