

# Youth Ages 5-11 Are Now Eligible to Get Vaccinated!

The Pfizer-BioNTech™ COVID-19 vaccine is now available for everyone 5 years of age and older. Review the information below to learn about the reasons to vaccinate kids, eligibility requirements, and vaccination options available.



## COVID-19 vaccines are the best way to:

- ✓ Avoid severe illness and hospitalizations.
- ✓ Keep kids safer in school and avoid the need to quarantine after being exposed.
- ✓ Remain safely engaged in school activities such as sports and clubs.
- ✓ End the COVID-19 pandemic.

## If not vaccinated for COVID-19, children are more likely to:

- ✗ Be infected with the virus that causes COVID-19.
- ✗ Get sick from a COVID-19 infection and children under the age of 12 are not eligible to receive [monoclonal antibody treatment](#).
- ✗ Have both short and long-term complications from COVID-19.
- ✗ Spread COVID-19 to others.

## Facts About the COVID-19 Vaccine for Children Ages 5-11

- Requires one-third of the adult dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech™ (Pfizer™) COVID-19 vaccine.
- Uses a smaller needle, designed specifically for children.
- Will need a second dose of the Pfizer™ vaccine three weeks after their initial dose.

## The Process of Developing COVID-19 Vaccines for Children

- Involved the development of [three phases of clinical trials](#) to make sure vaccines are safe and effective.
- Authorized by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) by assessing findings from those clinical trials.
- Continues to use several [monitoring systems](#) to track vaccines and ensure their safety.

For more information on COVID-19 vaccines, please visit:

**[coronavirus-sd.com/vaccine](https://coronavirus-sd.com/vaccine)**



# Items Required at Vaccination

## Parent/Guardian IS present

- Parent/Guardian identifies minor and verifies their age (*no additional identification needed*).
- Parent/Guardian may answer medical questions and provide consent **in-person**.

## Relative Caregiver IS present

- Relative Caregiver must complete [Caregiver Affidavit Form \(Spanish\)](#) (may complete on-site if needed).
- Relative Caregiver can confirm child's identity and age (*no additional identification needed*).
- Relative Caregiver may answer medical questions and provide consent **in-person**.
- Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers [English](#) | [Spanish](#)

## Minor is unaccompanied OR accompanied by a non-relative adult

- Minor's must have an appointment made through [MyTurn.ca.gov](https://myturn.ca.gov) website to be vaccinated.
- Minor's information and age provided when scheduling appointment in [My Turn](#).
- Minor or adult must show [Consent Form for Minors \(Spanish\)](#) filled out by parent/guardian.
- Minor must bring photo ID **and** proof of age.

## Find a Vaccination Site in San Diego County

- [Community Testing, Vaccination and Outreach Events Calendar](#)
- [Vaccination Schedule by Day](#)

## Learn More

- [CDC COVID-19 Vaccines for Children and Teens Website](#)
- [County of San Diego Vaccine Website](#)

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