

School Aged Immunisation Service
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Dear Parent/Carer,

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

The COVID-19 vaccination will reduce the chance of suffering from COVID-19 disease. Like all medicines, no vaccine is completely effective, and it takes a few weeks for the body to build up protection from the vaccine. Some people may still get COVID-19 despite having a vaccination, but this should lessen the severity of any infection. The vaccine cannot give COVID-19 infection and will reduce the chance of becoming seriously ill. Like all medicines, vaccines can cause side effects. Most of these are mild and short-term, and not everyone gets them.

Following the advice of the Chief Medical Officer and Public Health England (PHE), the COVID-19 mass vaccination programme has been extended to include all 12 to 15-year-olds in Hertfordshire. The School Aged Immunisation Team (SAIS) have been commissioned to deliver the programme in all secondary schools in Hertfordshire. The team will visit your school on:

School Name: Birchwood High School

Session Date: Tue, 05 Oct 2021

[A response is required. You must accept or decline this vaccination by completing the online form.](#)

Please click this link [Covid Consent Form](#) and complete the form.

You will need this unique code number **EE137637** which identifies your child's school.

The electronic link will close at **12pm on Mon, 04 Oct 2021.**

Please note this form will not work on some mobile phones and tablets. If you have difficulty completing the form, please call 01727 732062 to give a verbal consent.

It is important to discuss and complete the consent form with your child. For further information regarding the COVID-19 vaccination, please visit www.nhs.uk/covidvaccination. Please make sure on the day of immunisation your child is well and encourage them to eat breakfast.

PLEASE NOTE: If your child is in Year 8 and you also consent to the HPV vaccination, this will be given at the same session.

Yours sincerely,

Janet Graham
Immunisation Team Lead Mainstream Schools