



Halton Region Public Health  
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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Following [Provincial direction](#), children five to 11 years of age are eligible to receive their first booster dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. Children in this age group may receive their first booster dose at a recommended interval of six months (or 168 days) after their second dose. Children who are immunocompromised and received a three-dose primary series are recommended to receive their first booster dose 6 months (or 168 days) after their third dose.

Booster doses are effective in preventing severe illness and hospitalization from a COVID-19 infection. The protection from the vaccines may decrease over time. Evidence suggests booster dose(s) restore protection against the virus, including against new variants of the COVID-19 virus. We encourage families to stay up-to-date on all recommended doses of the COVID-19 vaccine to protect children, families and the community.

Children who had a previous COVID-19 infection are recommended to receive a booster dose to improve their immune response as it may provide better and longer-lasting protection against current and future variants of the virus. Learn more about [when your child should get vaccinated if they've had COVID-19](#).

### **Book an online appointment today**

There are many options of where to get your child vaccinated:

- To support children going back to school, evening appointments will be available for a limited time the first two weeks of school at Public Health vaccine clinics in Halton and can be booked [online](#) now;
- [Halton Region Paediatric Clinics](#) (by **booking an appointment [online](#) or calling 311, no walk-ins**). Parents should check Halton's [Vaccine Clinics webpage](#) regularly as dates and locations may change from week to week;
- Provincial clinics available through the [Provincial Booking System](#);
- [Go-Vaxx bus locations](#);
- Participating [primary care providers](#) or
- Participating [pharmacies](#)

Visit [halton.ca/covidvaccines4kids](https://halton.ca/covidvaccines4kids) for information on vaccine safety, tips on preparing for your child's vaccination, fun children's resources, and frequently asked questions.

Thank you for your ongoing efforts to keep our families and school communities safe.

Sincerely,

Halton Region Public Health

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