November 9, 2021

Dear Parents of Students Ages 5-11,

We wanted to share that over the Fall break COVID vaccines were approved for elementary and middle school students ages 5-11. We know that vaccination is a personal decision and we encourage you to follow up with your child’s pediatrician or school nurse for any questions you may have regarding the COVID vaccine. Currently the district vaccination rate is 93% of staff are vaccinated, 72% of eligible middle school students are vaccinated and 79% of high school students are already vaccinated.

We also would like to share a notice that we received from the Middlesex County Office of Health Services regarding a vaccine clinic that is being offered to children ages 5-11. Please click here for detailed information on this clinic taking place this Friday, November 12th from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the campus at the Middlesex County College.

If your child has received the COVID vaccine it is very important that you forward the vaccine records to your child’s school nurse as contract tracing for close contacts and travel quarantine instructions vary based on immunization status.

Besides local side effects at the injection site children may experience:

- Tiredness
- Headache
- Muscle pain
- Chills
- Fever
- Nausea

Please keep your child home if they are experiencing side effects from the vaccine and contact your school nurse for further instructions.

More information on COVID vaccination for children can be obtained here: CDC VACCINE INFO FOR CHILDREN/TEENS

As always, please reach out to your child’s school nurse with any questions and trust that you will find the above information useful.

Be well,

Scott Feder
Superintendent of Schools