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Dear Elementary Parents/Guardians:

On May 10, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration authorized the emergency use of the two-dose Pfizer Covid-19 vaccine for children 12 through 15 years of age. With this expanded eligibility, Dinwiddie County Public Schools is partnering with the Crater Health District to host vaccination clinics here for our students. Based on the recently updated CDC guidance, fully vaccinated students will no longer have to quarantine when exposed to a person that has been diagnosed with Covid-19 unless the exposed student is symptomatic.

The vaccine clinic for our elementary students will be held at Dinwiddie Middle School on Monday, June 7. Elementary students will be transported to the clinic by our DCPS Transportation Department and will be accompanied by his/her school nurse.

Parental/guardian consent is required in order for a child to receive the Pfizer Covid-19 vaccine. Attached to this letter are the vaccination consent and screening forms. These forms, along with the Pfizer Covid-19 information fact sheets, can be found on the school's webpage as well as the DCPS website at www.dinwiddie.k12.va.us under the Parents tab.

If you wish to have your child vaccinated, complete the form in its entirety and return to your child's school nurse no later than Thursday, June 3 along with the Trip Permission Form. Please contact the school nurse if you need assistance completing the forms. The Crater Health District will not administer the vaccine to students with incomplete forms.

Dinwiddie County Public Schools appreciates the continued partnership with the Crater Health District and their efforts to make these vaccination clinics possible for our students.

Sincerely,

Christie Clarke
Director of School & Community Relations