

August 3, 2021

Dear Parents, Guardians and Staff,

We hope you are enjoying the summer and the warm weather in the beautiful British Columbia interior region. It is nice to be able to reconnect with friends and family.

With that in mind, and the school year approaching soon, we would like to remind you that accessing COVID-19 vaccination has never been easier.

If you or your child have not been immunized against COVID-19 yet, now is the perfect time to do so. Getting one dose now and the second one 28 days later means you will have full immunity by the time school starts. There's no need to register in advance. Just drop-in and get vaccinated. It's that easy!

Getting vaccinated is the best way we can protect each other against the variants and ensure they can't mutate and spread. You will be joining millions of British Columbians who have already joined the fight and helped slow the spread of COVID-19.

**We are counting on you for a safe start to the school year. So please, if you haven't yet been vaccinated but are able to, come visit us at:**

Trinity Hall, Kelowna  
Monday – Sunday, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
Thursday, 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Rutland Secondary School gymnasium  
Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Westbank Lion's Community Centre  
Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

For a list of all Interior Health COVID-19 immunization clinics, please visit:

<https://news.interiorhealth.ca/news/covid-19-immunization-clinics/>

Sincerely,



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