

Newsletter Insert

HPV Cancer Prevention Vaccine Available for Grade 10-12 Students

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- The HPV (human papillomavirus) vaccine helps protect against several types of cancer, including throat and genital cancers.
- HPV is very common, and vaccination during the teen years provides long-term protection.
- The vaccine has been safely used for many years and is recommended by public health experts in Canada.
- In British Columbia, the HPV vaccine is provided free to students usually in grades 6 and only one dose is needed.
- Students who have not previously received this vaccine can receive it from the school nurse at the next immunization clinic being held on: **Wednesday, April 22, 2026**
- **If you wish for your child to receive one dose of HPV vaccine, please contact your school nurse before April 1 to update your consent: amanda.michaels@vch.ca**
- Can't remember whether you received HPV vaccination before? Please check your records at [Health Gateway](#).
- Need more information about HPV vaccine. Please check here: [HealthLink BC – HPV Vaccine](#)
- On the day of the clinic, eligible students interested in receiving HPV vaccine will be invited to the clinic.
- We encourage families to review trusted information and discuss whether the HPV vaccine is right for their teen.

