



A VIBRANT SCHOOL YEAR. IT'S WORTH THE SHOT.

Do you also want to visit your grandparents or family safely and without worrying? It is possible, if everyone gets vaccinated. If everyone gets their jab, we achieve **herd immunity**, and we make sure, all together, that new variants of the virus don't get a chance to spread. Get vaccinated and **protect yourself and those around you**. That way, your life can go back to how it used to be.

We need you!

Vaccination is **the fastest way** to defeat the coronavirus. Young people often have no symptoms, but they come into contact with **a lot of other people**. That is how **new variants** can be spread. And even young and healthy people can become ill from Corona.

Get vaccinated through your school

Haven't been vaccinated yet? You have the opportunity to get vaccinated through a vaccination campaign at school. It's **easy, quick and free**.

Under 16 years old?* Please bring a written authorisation from your parents or guardian.

If you're under 16, your parents or legal guardian must agree to your vaccination. You'll receive a letter from your school, which you must have signed at home. Be sure to **bring the letter with you** when the vaccination takes place.

* If you are a student at a French-speaking school, you may need permission from your parents up to the age of 17. Your school will inform you about this.

WHY GET VACCINATED?

- ☀️ You can visit your grandparents and family safely and without having to worry
- ☀️ You can meet up with friends and have fun together
- ☀️ You can return to sports and other group hobbies
- ☀️ You can attend school in a normal way
- ☀️ You can travel smoothly
- ☀️ The restrictive measures in Brussels can be relaxed

DID YOU KNOW...

...that there are 787,058 under 18-year olds in Belgium who are eligible for vaccination? That's more than 15 times the capacity of the Heysel Stadium or more than 3,000 Brussels Kinopolis halls full of your peers who are helping to stop the virus together.

...at the start of this school year, 64% of 12-17-year olds in Belgium had already received their first shot?

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

IS THE VACCINE SAFE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE?

Many myths are told about the coronavirus. The Covid vaccines are **safe and work well**. They have been tested on tens of thousands of people. The virus is part of the SARS virus family. Scientists have years of experience with mRNA and vaccines against SARS viruses. Labs all over the world have **prioritised** the coronavirus vaccine. The researchers did not skip any steps in the process: all necessary tests and checks were done.

HOW COME PEOPLE STILL END UP IN HOSPITAL?

Most people who are in hospital now have **not been vaccinated or have not been fully vaccinated**. Proportionally, there are more people in hospital in Brussels than in the rest of the country. The reason for this is that in Brussels, not enough people are vaccinated against the coronavirus. The vaccine is the **only way** to protect yourself and your family from serious illness.

CAN THE VACCINE MAKE ME SICK?

You cannot get Covid from the vaccine. Your arm may **look** a little **red or feel stiff**. After your vaccination, you may feel **tired** or have a **fever**. This should go away with a painkiller and a few days of rest. In very rare cases, you may have an allergic reaction shortly after your jab. To monitor this, you have to wait in a waiting room for a while after the jab. In this way, the medical staff can immediately help you if you do not feel well.

AM I IMMUNE IF I HAVE ALREADY HAD COVID ?

No, unfortunately not. Even if you were previously infected with the coronavirus, after some time you can get infected again and possibly become seriously ill. The vaccine **protects you for a longer period of time** and also gives you better protection **against variants** of the virus. The vaccine is therefore the safest and fastest way to achieve herd immunity.

HOW MANY JABS MUST I GET?

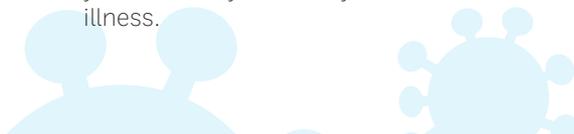
You will receive **2 jabs** of the **Pfizer or Moderna** vaccine. Your second jab is just as important as your first. You are fully protected **7 to 10 days after the second shot, and not before**. The jabs do not hurt at all.

DO I NEED TO CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE PROTECTIVE MEASURES AGAINST COVID AFTER MY VACCINE?

Yes, you must continue to follow the measures until almost everyone has been vaccinated and the virus has less chance of spreading.

CAN I STILL GET SICK AND INFECT PEOPLE AFTER BOTH OF MY JABS?

You can still contract the coronavirus and pass it on. But the chance of you getting infected and infecting someone else is **much smaller than before your vaccination**. You will become **less ill or not ill at all** if you are infected.



Do you have more questions about vaccination?
Then take a look at www.coronavirus.brussels
or www.info-coronavirus.be/en