



Date: June 1, 2022

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students:

Re: TPH School Mobile Clinic at Lawrence Park Collegiate Institute

Toronto Public Health will be holding a mobile clinic at Lawrence Park Collegiate Institute on June 11, 2022. The mobile clinic will offer dental and oral health screening and vaccines including Hepatitis B, Human Papillomavirus (HPV), Meningococcal and COVID-19 vaccines.

Students are highly encouraged to use the [appointment booking link](#) to schedule a vaccination appointment. Please note that walk-ins are accepted at school clinics, however those with booked appointments will be prioritized for their booked time slot. No appointment is required for dental screening.

These vaccines are also available for eligible students, free of cost, at City of Toronto immunization clinics. To book an appointment at a City of Toronto immunization clinic, click [here](#).

Vaccinations

Under Ontario's Immunization of School Pupil Act (ISPA), all students are required to be up-to-date with Meningococcal vaccines or have a [valid exemption](#). Hepatitis B and HPV vaccines prevent cancers and are voluntary for school attendance. Vaccines are safe, effective and one of the most important ways to improve health worldwide and prevent the spread of infectious diseases. The COVID-19 vaccine can be administered at the same time as, or any time before or after, these school-based vaccines.

Students who would like to be vaccinated with one or more school-based vaccines and/or the COVID-19 vaccine at the school's clinic on June 11 should do the following:

1. Read the [Hepatitis B, Human Papillomavirus \(HPV\), Meningococcal](#) and [COVID-19](#) vaccine fact sheets.
2. Complete the [School Immunizations consent form](#) and/or the [COVID-19 consent form](#)
 - a. Students under 14 years of age require a signed consent from a parent/guardian.
 - b. Students who are 14 years of age and older who are capable of making the decision can give informed consent. This means they must understand information about the vaccine, why it is being recommended and what will happen if they accept or refuse vaccination.
3. Bring a **copy** of the student's immunization record and health card, if available, or other identification.
4. Have the consent form(s) completed and available for the nurse on the day of the clinic.

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5. Be prepared to answer these questions for [Adults \(12 years+\)](#) or [Children \(5-11 years\)](#) prior to getting a COVID-19 vaccine.
6. Wear a mask while attending the clinic.

If the student is attending a school clinic after school hours or on the weekend:

- One parent/guardian can accompany the student to the clinic.
- Students younger than 14 years of age should attend these clinics with a parent/guardian who must sign the [School Immunizations consent form](#) in order to receive Hepatitis B, HPV and/or Meningococcal vaccines.
- Students younger than 12 years of age should attend these clinics with a parent/guardian who must sign the [COVID-19 consent form](#) in order to receive a COVID-19 vaccine.

Dental Screenings

Oral health screening identifies children in need of dental services and supports families in accessing necessary care. Public Health units are required by the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long Term Care to screen children in elementary schools. Therefore, students in JK through Grade 8 will be screened unless the parent/guardian decides to opt out of screening. High school students will be offered a dental screening. The screening is done by an oral health staff member using a sterilized mouth mirror in accordance with infection control guidelines. Information about our community dental clinics and programs will be provided to parents and students who prefer to book the screening at a TPH dental clinic.

Please be advised that this screening assessment does not replace the dental examination done by a dentist. TPH dental staff will provide support (i.e. follow-up phone call to families as needed) to students identified as being at risk for dental disease, and refer to appropriate care if required. Families unable to pay for dental care may be eligible for services offered by TPH.

For more information about [vaccines](#) and [dental screenings](#), please review [School Mobile Clinic Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#) and [Student's Checklist for Day of the Clinic](#). You can also speak to your health care provider or call Toronto Public Health at 416-338-7600, Monday-Friday 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM. Interpretation services are available.

Sincerely,
Toronto Public Health