



# COVID-19 Vaccinations

## Phase 1b – Stages 1-3

### Educators and School Staff

The Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) has adopted an [ethical framework](#) that guides decision-making for administration of the vaccines that are expected to be limited for the first several weeks. Vaccine administration to the public expands through the phases as the vaccine becomes more available. Educators and school staff have been included in [Phase 1b](#). DPH's goal is to vaccinate as many people who choose to be vaccinated as possible in a time-sensitive manner as a critical mitigation strategy in the COVID-19 pandemic response.

DDOE will be managing the [vaccination process](#) for all educators and school staff. This includes all personnel who work in Delaware public and private elementary, middle, and high schools as well as district early learning centers.

Educators and school staff who live outside of Delaware but work in Delaware schools, including contracted personnel, substitute teachers, and student teachers, are all included in Phase 1b.

Due to the limited supply of vaccine, the stages below will be implemented for triaging eligible staff members across the state. Individuals will **self-identify** as each stage is announced. Vaccination stages are anticipated to run throughout the months of February and March. Phases may overlap depending on numbers and availability of vaccines. Registration information will be available on [DDOE's COVID-19 Vaccination site](#).

Recipients will receive a total of two doses of the vaccine with the second occurring approximately 19-30 days after the initial dose.

#### Phase 1B - Stage 1

Individuals (meeting one or more of the following criteria)

- age 65 or older
- with [high- or medium-risk chronic medical conditions](#)
- who work with special populations and have limited opportunity to follow public health measures such as maintaining physical distance and wearing face coverings

#### Phase 1B - Stage 2

Individuals

- whose job responsibilities require them to directly interact with students and/or members of the public on a routine basis, either within a school building or out in the community

#### Phase 1B - Stage 3

Individuals meeting one or more of the following criteria

- whose job responsibilities can be or are currently being accomplished from home
- who did not have access to the vaccine in prior stages

#### For more information, please visit

The Division of Public Health COVID-19 Vaccine: <https://coronavirus.delaware.gov/vaccine/>

The Department of Education COVID-19 Vaccine: [de.gov/k12vaccine](https://de.gov/k12vaccine)