

**All Schools**      **FYI: Expanded COVID-19 Vaccine Mandate for Students Ages 5–11 in High-Risk Sports and Activities**

*The below was shared with district principals on December 7. More information for charter schools is forthcoming.*

Per a recent announcement, the current [COVID-19 vaccine mandate for students](#) participating in high-risk extracurricular activities has been expanded to include students ages 5–11. This mandate applies to:

- High-risk competitive sports as designated by the CDC/NYSED/NYSDOH, which are currently football, volleyball, basketball, wrestling, lacrosse, stunt, and rugby. Vaccination will also be required for participation in bowling, because while not a high-risk sport, it takes place in spaces that require vaccination for children ages 5 and older.
- High-risk extracurricular activities scheduled outside of the school day, like singing/chorus, orchestra/marching band, musical theater, dance, and cheerleading/step teams/flag teams.

For questions, submit a ticket via <https://charterschools.mojohelpdesk.com>.

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