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Deputy Neasa Hourigan,
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Issued via email to: neasa.hourigan@oireachtas.ie

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Question: To ask the Minister for Health his plans to establish a programme to provide Covid-19 vaccinations in schools for students; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Hourigan,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

To date, ca.441.8k (50%) of 5-17 year olds have been partially vaccinated and 414k (47%) fully vaccinated. The self-scheduling system is the primary route to vaccination for this group and allows for greater choice and accessibility to individuals, parents & guardians in booking appointments. Details of available appointments / clinics are available on the [HSE website](#)¹.

While we continue to monitor all options to increase uptake there are currently no plans to deliver vaccinations through schools to this group.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Damien McCallion
National Director
National Lead Test & Trace and Vaccination Programme

¹ <https://www2.hse.ie/screening-and-vaccinations/covid-19-vaccine/get-the-vaccine/booking/#getting-dose-1-or-dose-2>