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**O’Connell Announces VaxBus Return to Taunton**

Taunton, MA . . . Today Mayor Shaunna O’Connell announced the VaxBus will be returning to the City of Taunton on October 8, 2021 at Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School from 2:00pm-5:00pm and 6:00pm-9:00pm.

Mayor O’Connell’s office has been working closely with the school administration at Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School to coordinate efforts to provide a convenient vaccination option for their high school students. “Our VaxBus mobile clinic at Taunton High School has been very successful and we hope to provide the same service at Bristol-Plymouth. The Department of Public Health has been very responsive to our needs and we appreciate the collaborative efforts of all involved who are working to keep our kids in school as safely as possible,” said O’Connell.

All three vaccines (Johnson & Johnson, Pfizer and Moderna) will be available at the VaxBus. First and second doses of the COVID-19 vaccine will be administered, as well as Pfizer booster shots for those who qualify and third dose shots for immune-compromised individuals. People interested in the booster shot or third dose of the vaccine are encouraged to contact their health care providers to discuss their eligibility.

The mobile clinic is open to everyone and is not restricted to Taunton residents. Interested individuals are welcome to simply stop by as no appointment is needed.

Individuals between the ages of 12 and 17 will need a signed waiver from a parent or guardian, but do not need to have an adult present with them. A link for the waiver can be found on the City of Taunton website at [taunton-ma.gov](http://taunton-ma.gov).

School Superintendent Alexandre Magalhaes welcomes the opportunity to partner with the Mayor’s Office and Board of Health in hosting the VaxBus. “We have a number of events scheduled for October 8<sup>th</sup> and having the VaxBus onsite will be very convenient for our students and their families. We hope our school community will avail themselves of this opportunity.”

Any questions regarding COVID-19 vaccines or the VaxBus may be directed to the Board of Health at 508-821-1400 or the Mayor's Office at 508-821-1000. ###