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## **Ashe County Schools Set to Receive the Moderna COVID Vaccination**

Due to increased vaccine allocations to Ashe County, ACS employees will receive the first dose of the Moderna vaccine on Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at the Ashe County Civic Center. This has been made possible through our partnership with AppHealthCare and our school nurses.

Over 400 employees will have the opportunity to receive this vaccine. School nurses will assist with administering vaccinations alongside health department officials. Dr. Eisa Cox stated, *"We are so thankful and feel very blessed to offer the vaccine to all of our staff members."*

The partnership between AppHealthCare and Ashe County Schools has been strong since the beginning of the school year. Recently, Ashe County Schools cohosted two vaccination events at Ashe County High School for our community. AppHealthCare Director Jennifer Greene stated, *"We are appreciative of our ongoing partnership with Ashe County Schools and are excited to be able to support vaccination efforts for teachers, staff, and childcare workers in our area starting this week. Thankfully, we have been able to make major progress on our waiting list for older adults and will continue to prioritize them as we move forward."*

Ashe County Schools will operate via remote instruction on Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> in order for employees to receive the vaccine throughout the day. Employees will receive the required second dose on Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. The optional teacher workday that was originally scheduled on March 19<sup>th</sup> has been moved to March 26<sup>th</sup> in order to ensure that students do not lose an additional day of instruction.

Dr. Eisa Cox reiterated, *"We are extremely thankful to Jennifer Greene, our school nurses, and our AppHealthCare partners for making this vaccine event happen."*

For more information concerning the COVID vaccine, visit the link provided below:  
[Moderna vaccine on the CDC website](#)