## Tsuen Wan Trade Association Primary School

Circular no 20-116/G04

17<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear parents,

## Circular on COVID-19 Vaccination Programme –

## Vaccination Arrangement for Primary and Secondary School Students

Whole-school resumption of half-day face-to-face class arrangements for all primary and secondary schools in Hong Kong took effect from 24 May 2021. While wearing a mask and maintaining social distancing can help reduce the chances of getting infected with COVID-19 or spreading the virus to others, it is vaccination that can provide more effective protection. The vaccine will work synergistically with the human immune system to prepare it to fight the virus if we are exposed to it. This will provide the best protection for us as well as our family members and friends against COVID-19.

Comirnaty COVID-19 mRNA vaccine ("Comirnaty vaccine") is a vaccine used for preventing COVID-19 caused by SARS-CoV-2 virus. Having regard to the advice of the Advisory Panel on COVID-19 Vaccines, the Secretary for Food and Health on 3 June 2021 approved the lowering of the age limit for receiving the Comirnaty vaccine to age 12. This vaccine is given in two doses recommended to be 21 days apart for completing the vaccination course. Comirnaty vaccine should be administered 14 days before or after another prophylactic vaccines. To safeguard the health of primary and secondary school students, the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has, from 14 June 2021, included adolescents aged 12 years or above into the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme. Students aged 12 years or above who would like to receive the Comirnaty vaccine may make bookings direct at the dedicated website of the Vaccination Programme (https://booking.covidvaccine.gov.hk/forms/index.jsp) from 9:00 am on 11 June 2021 onwards, or they may receive the vaccination through the arrangements made by their schools.

Schools may choose either of the two modes of vaccination arrangement for schools as follows. The first mode is group bookings of 20 to 30 students accompanied by two teachers for vaccination at a Community Vaccination Centre (CVC) with school bus service, which is arranged by the Government, between the school and the CVC provided. Parents and guardians may accompany their children/wards to take the school bus to CVC to receive vaccination. They may also wait with the students outside the CVC at a designated time on the day of vaccination and then enter the CVC when the other students and the accompanying teachers arrive by school bus. Parents and guardians may help take care of students and get vaccinated. Another mode is outreach vaccinations provided by healthcare professionals at the school for 300 or more students, school staff, parents and guardians.

Our school has made the initial arrangement for students to receive vaccination at a CVC in groups on 29 June 2021 P.M. for the first dose and 20 July 2021 A.M. for the second dose. In order to facilitate the vaccination arrangement, parent's intention will be collected first. Please return the reply slip on or before 21 June 2021 (Monday).

For enquiries, please contact Mr. Wong Wai Kit.

Yours faithfully,

Chow Kim Ho

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Chow Kim Ho Principal

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## Circular on COVID-19 Vaccination Programme -Vaccination Arrangement for Primary and Secondary School Students

Dear Principal,

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I have acknowledged the receipt of the above circular regarding COVID-19 Vaccination Programme -Vaccination Arrangement for Primary and Secondary School Students

allow my child to participate in this programme

do not allow my child to participate in this programme.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_( )

Class: \* Please put a ' $\checkmark$ ' in the appropriate box. Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_