Gov. Baker and Mass State Lottery remind residents of upcoming VaxMillions giveaway deadlines

Today, the Baker-Polito Administration and the Massachusetts State Lottery reminded residents of upcoming deadlines for the Massachusetts VaxMillions Giveaway, which opened for registration on July 1.

VaxMillions Giveaway Drawings will be held once a week for five weeks beginning Monday, July 26 and continuing every Monday through August 23. Registration for the first drawing closes on Thursday, July 22, one week from today, with the first drawing occurring on Monday, July 26. Winners will be announced later in the week following each drawing.

Massachusetts residents ages 12 and up and who are fully vaccinated prior to each drawing are eligible to enter the giveaway. Residents ages 18 and older who are fully vaccinated prior to each drawing will have the opportunity to enter to win one of five, \$1 million cash prizes. Residents between 12-17 years of age who are fully vaccinated prior to each drawing may enter for the chance to win one of five \$300,000 scholarship grants.

Eligible residents are able to enter the giveaway at VaxMillionsGiveaway.com. For residents who do not have access to the internet or require assistance, a call center can be reached by calling 2-1-1 during the below hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

Friday: 8:30 AM-5:00 PM

Saturday-Sunday: 9:00 AM-2:00 PM

Live call center workers are available in English and Spanish, and 100 additional languages are available through translators.

Residents are reminded that they have time to get fully vaccinated in order to enter the drawings. An entry before one of the weekly entry deadlines makes you eligible for all of the weekly drawings that take place after you register.

The full schedule of drawing and announcement dates is below. Residents are reminded that some COVID-19 vaccines require two doses, and they must receive all doses before entering the drawing.

Registration Deadline Note: Two doses of Moderna or Pfizer or one dose of J&J must be completed by the date below.	How many drawings do I qualify for?	Drawing Date	Announcement Date	Get your first dose by: Note, second doses must be completed by the date that registration closes.
July 22	All 5	July 26	July 29	Moderna: June 24 Pfizer: July 1 J&J: July 22 (no second dose required)
July 29	Next 4	August 2	August 5	Moderna: July 1 Pfizer: July 8 J&J: July 29 (no second dose required)
August 5	Next 3	August 9	August 12	Moderna: July 8 Pfizer: July 15 J&J: August 5 (no second dose required)
August 12	Next 2	August 16	August 19	Moderna: July 15 Pfizer: July 22 J&J: August 12 (no second dose required)
August 19	Only final	August 23	August 26	Moderna: July 22 Pfizer: July 29 J&J: August 19 (no second dose required)

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Residents must be fully vaccinated before registering, but if they are not vaccinated by the registration date for a certain drawing, they will still have the opportunity to complete vaccination and register for subsequent drawings. Residents will only have to enter once to qualify for all drawings occurring after the date of their registration.

Massachusetts residents 18 years of age and older who have received two doses of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, or one dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, will have a chance to win one of five, \$1 million cash prizes.

Massachusetts residents between 12 and 17 years of age who have received two doses of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine will have a chance to win one of five \$300,000 scholarship grants via a 529 College Savings Plan managed by the Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority (MEFA). Funds in a 529 plan can be applied to cover tuition, room and board, and related expenses at any college, university, or technical or trade school or other post-secondary educational institution eligible to participate in a student aid program administered by the U.S. Department of Education. Winners with a qualifying disability may elect instead to receive an equivalent financial contribution to a special needs trust or federally qualified ABLE account to cover qualified expenses.

The Commonwealth launched the Massachusetts VaxMillions giveaway as one of many strategies to increase awareness of the availability and efficacy of the COVID-19 vaccines and encourage residents to get vaccinated to keep themselves, their families and their communities safe.

Only legal, permanent residents of Massachusetts who are fully vaccinated can enter the drawings. Residents must have received their vaccine doses within Massachusetts. Residents must be fully vaccinated prior to submitting their entry.

Residents can email support@vaxmillionsgiveaway.mass.gov or call 2-1-1 to report any instances of fraud or suspicious activity associated with the VaxMillions Giveaway Promotion. Residents are reminded that official prize notification emails related to the VaxMillions Giveaway will come from a Massachusetts Department of Public Health email address ending

in "@mass.gov." More information on tips for identifying suspected fraud can be found [Mass.gov/vaxmillionshelp]here.

There are over 900 vaccination locations across the Commonwealth, with appointments and walk-ins widely available. Residents seeking a vaccine can visit mass.gov/COVIDVaccine to find a vaccine location that is convenient for them.

For more information on the Mass VaxMillions Giveaway, visit VaxMillionsGiveaway.com.