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The Middle School Gym hosted the March 12 school clinic, in which the Johnson & Johnson vaccine was administered. Early reports indicate the J&J shot may sting more upon injection than the Moderna/Pfizer options. Photo by Shawn Jarrard

Johnson & Johnson one-shot vaccine – the first J&J doses to be administered by Public Health in Union County – and while vaccination is not currently being mandated, School Lead Nurse Leigh Ann Hartley said it was a great turnout Friday.

“Everybody has been pretty supportive of getting it,” Hartley said. “I’m really excited that we are getting vaccinated. The more people that are vaccinated, the safer the teachers and kids are. So,

I’m hoping that we have a light at the end of the tunnel.”

Added Hartley, “Working with Public Health has been great. They’re next door to the school, essentially, so it’s been really neat to partner with them.”

Greg Chambers teaches Advanced Placement U.S. History and coaches golf at the High School, and he, too, was thankful to the school system and Public Health for providing the opportunity to get vaccinated Friday.

“Throughout all the schools,” Chambers said, “we’re still continuing all the different protocols each and every day, like taking student temperatures and sanitation in rooms.

“Speaking for myself and the people that I associate with and talk to, for the most part, we’ve gotten into the routine of this, and it appears that the numbers are going down, so we’re just hoping to get back to a return to normalcy next year.”

District 2 Public Health announces appointments available for vaccine



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GAINESVILLE – The 13 District 2 county health departments have appoint-

ments available now for the COVID-19 vaccine. “Recent shipments have given us enough vaccine to open up more appointments for residents,” said Alan Satterfield, Director of Nursing. “We hope that residents who are eligible to be vaccinated will take this opportunity to make an appointment.” Eligible residents can make appointments by calling 1-888-426-5073 OR online at www.phdistrict2.org OR by calling their local health department.

To see if you are eligible, go to <https://dph.georgia.gov/>

On March 8, eligibility was expanded to include pre-K through 12 educators and staff of public and private schools, adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities and their caregivers, and parents of children with complex medical conditions.