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**When Will Experts Send Their Children Back to School?**

When The New York Times asked experts about sending their children to school, camp or day care, 40% of 304 epidemiologists said they’d send them in the fall. An amazing 15% said they’d wait for a vaccine, which could take a year or longer.

But what about that vaccine? Early tests suggest it may not provide immunity or prevent the vaccinated from spreading the virus. An infectious disease epidemiologist at Harvard says previous experience with human coronaviruses, such as those that cause colds, show immunity sometimes lasts for only a few months. Experts hope the vaccine will at least convert the infection to an upper respiratory illness, alleviating the dangers of severe Covid-19 disease. Stay tuned.


“The world needs Covid-19 vaccines. It may also be overestimating their power,” Helen Branswell, STAT, May 22, 2020: https://bit.ly/3hKsD1i