Jabbed for a good cause

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More than 300 of your friends and neighbors have already been vaccinated against the novel coronavirus.

They are volunteers in vaccine trials taking place in a DeLand lab, one of only two sites in the country testing vaccines from multiple drug companies.

The work ongoing at Accel Clinical Research has put DeLand on the map in multiple drug companies.

“Research has put DeLand on the map in vaccine trials. Two groups of volunteers are now taking part in the vaccine trials,” said Bart Nissen, left, and Dr. Bruce Rankin, right, checks vital signs.

Hundreds already getting COVID-19 shots as part of clinical trial

Delayed kickoff planned for high-school football; Stetson won’t play this fall

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Sports will look different in Volusia County this fall, and exactly how they’ll look isn’t being decided, according to the West Volusia rally to defeat a common opponent: COVID-19.

Sensors like Del and High School’s Zachariah Banton are celebrating the chance to play could be the key to getting into college.

“Seniors don’t get another chance; they don’t get another do-over, another year of eligibility,” Hillsborough County parent Jamie Kent told the Florida High School Athletic Association Aug. 14, when the board debated whether to allow full sports.

Board Member Susan Tortora said the people she heard from were clear. “My emails are full,” she said. “And 99.6 percent of them are asking us to give them a date, stick to it and start now.”

That’s what the FHSAA did: voting to allow full sports beginning Aug. 34, but giving schools flexibility on whether and when to take part.

Fans may face limits on tickets and other restrictions, at stadium operators figure out how to keep those attending.