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Meningococcal Vaccine School Requirement

Dear Parent/Guardian of,

Since September 1, 2016, all public and private school students entering 12th grade in N.Y. State must be fully vaccinated against meningococcal disease in order to attend school.

The Meningococcal Vaccine protects against serious and sometimes deadly diseases such as meningitis: an infection of the lining of the brain and spinal cord and sepsis which is a blood infection. The vaccine is administered as an inoculation.

Students entering 12th grade will require 1 or 2 doses of MenACWY or MCV4 Vaccine with the brand names Menactra and Menveo. This will be dependent on whether the student has received a dose prior to age 16. They must have a dose on or after 16 years of age. Students who received their first dose on or after age 16 will only require 1 dose, no booster is needed.


The Health Office has reviewed and attached your child's immunization record. The following checked box is what your child needs in order to be compliant with the law.

- No meningitis vaccine on record - your child needs 1 dose given after age 16**
- 1 Vaccine given before age 16 – your child needs a booster immediately**
- 2 vaccines given before age 16 – your child needs a booster immediately**

Please schedule an appointment with your child's physician as soon as possible and send the proof of immunization to the Health Office before the first day of school. **As per New York State Law, no child can attend school after Tuesday, September 18, 2018 without the proper immunizations.**

If you have any questions, please contact the Health Office directly (516) 305-8705. Proof of the vaccine can be faxed to the Health Office directly at (516) 248-3146.

Sincerely,



James A. Ruck, Ed D.
Principal