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Dear Parent of a current 5th grader;

In an effort to stay current on all of our student's health concerns, we would like to remind you of an immunization requirement for the 2012-2013 school year. These laws took effect September 1, 2008. These requirements apply to those <u>11 years and older</u> that are going into 6th grade.

Tdap – a form of tetanus booster vaccine. Protects against Tetanus, Diphtheria, & Pertussis. 1 dose will be required for students 11 years of age and older when 5 years have passed since their last dose of Td, DT, DTP, or DTap vaccine.

MCV4 (Meningococcal vaccine) – protects against meningococcal disease, a serious bacterial illness (Meningitis).

We are notifying you of these required immunizations now so that you may ask your doctor about them and get vaccinated over the next several months. When vaccinations are received, you **must bring a copy or fax a copy of the student's immunization** record to the Health Office, so we can update your child's records. According to AZ state law, 6th grade students who have turned 11 yrs old will not be allowed to attend the first day of school without proof of these vaccines or a filed exemption formed in the Health Office. If you choose not to have your child immunized, please sign an exemption form in the Health Office.

In addition, more information on the vaccination requirements may be obtained online at the Arizona Department of Health Services website, <u>www.azdhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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