

Dear Parents or Guardians of Incoming 6th Grade Students:

The New Jersey Department of Health requires updated immunizations for students entering grade 6. **Incoming grade 6 students are REQUIRED to have one dose of Tdap**, (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis vaccine) **AND one dose of a meningococcal vaccine**. While not required, the HPV vaccine is also highly recommended at this age.

Please make an appointment with your healthcare provider to plan for having the required immunizations administered as appropriate. I understand that some students have not yet turned 11 years of age and cannot receive all of the vaccines at this time. Please review the following steps that outline when records should be turned in based on your child's birthday:

- For students aged 11 by the end of the school year, updated immunization records are due June 1 of their 5th grade year.
- Students who turn 11 over the summer must provide proof of these immunizations before the beginning of the 6th grade school year.
- Students who turn 11 after the start of the 6th grade school year are required to receive these immunizations within 2 weeks of their birthday.

Please provide signed documentation from your healthcare provider using the form below **OR other official immunization records that your doctor provides**. Records can be dropped off at the main office or emailed to the school nurse before the end of the school year and through the summer.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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(Return this form **OR other proof of immunizations** to the Health Office ASAP)

Student: _____ DOB: _____ received:

Tdap: _____ Meningococcal: _____ HPV: _____
(REQUIRED) (date received) (REQUIRED) (date received) (Recommended) (date received)

Signature of Health Care Provider

Print or Stamp Health Care Provider