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Grade 6 Immunizations

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Dear Grade 5 Parents/Guardians,

In preparation for the transition of your child(ren) moving from elementary school to Veterans Middle School, it is important to note two required immunizations listed below:

N.J.A.C. 8:57-4.10(h) states: *Every child born on or after January 1, 1997, and entering or attending Grade Six, or a comparable age level special education program with an unassigned grade on or after September 1, 2008, shall have received **one dose of Tdap (Tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertusis)** given no earlier than the 10th birthday.*

N.J.A.C. 8:57-4.20(a) states: *Every child born on or after January 1, 1997, and entering or attending Grade Six, or a comparable age level special education program with an unassigned grade on or after September 1, 2008, shall have received **one dose of meningococcal-containing vaccine**, such as the medically-preferred meningococcal conjugate vaccine.*

The New Jersey Department of Health further clarifies that Tdap and Meningococcal vaccines are required for all children entering the 6th grade who are 11 years of age or older; 6th graders less than 11 years of age must receive Tdap and meningococcal vaccines once age 11 is reached.


As per N.J.A.C. 8:57-4.2, a child whose parent or guardian has not submitted acceptable evidence of the child's immunization shall not knowingly be admitted to school.

To ensure that your child is safe and eligible for school, **please submit proof of vaccinations** to the school nurse at your child(ren)'s current school as soon as they have been administered.

Please contact your child(ren)'s school nurse if you have any further questions.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation and best wishes on a healthy school year!

Sincerely,


Stephen Yurchak, Ed.D.
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