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DATE:

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TO:

Parents/Guardians

FROM:

Fritz Schlueter

**SUBJECT:** 

Meningococcal Vaccine

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, the Ohio Department of Health School Immunization Requirements have been revised to include one (1) dose of Meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine to be administered before a students enters the 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

If the first dose of MCV4 was administered on or after the 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, a second is not required. If a pupil is in the 12<sup>th</sup> grade and is 15 years of age or younger, only one (1) dose is required.

Therefore, your current 11<sup>th</sup> grader will need to show proof of having received the Meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine(s) before they can return to school in the fall.

You are receiving this letter now to provide you with ample time to have your child immunized before the coming school year begins. Please contact your physician or health department to schedule an appointment.

Please provide the school a copy of your child's shot records to be placed in their permanent file. Students not having appropriate immunizations will not be permitted to return to school after October 12, 2018 without talking with Mr. Schlueter and/or taking appropriate measures for immunizations.