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DATE: June 2018

TO: Parents/Guardians

FROM: Fritz Schlueter

SUBJECT: Meningococcal and Tdap Vaccine

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, the Ohio Department of Health School Immunization Requirements have been revised to include two (2) doses of Meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine to be administered before a student enters the seventh grade. Therefore, your current sixth grader will need to show proof of having received the Meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine(s) before they can return to school in the fall.

Your child also requires a dose of Tdap to be administered before entering the seventh grade. This dose is intended to be administered as a booster dose for students who have completed the required doses of the initial series of DTaP/DT/Td.

If your child received one dose of Tdap as part of the original series another dose of Tdap will not be required. The Tdap can be given regardless of the interval since the last tetanus or diphtheria-toxoid containing vaccine.

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.