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Dear 6th Grade Parent/Guardian;

The State of New Jersey's Department of Health requires all 6th grade students to receive the Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis (Tdap) and Meningococcal Vaccine (MCV). According to *N.J.A.C. 8:57-4* "Every child born on or after January 1, 1997, and entering or attending Grade 6, or a comparable age level special education program with an unassigned grade on or after September 1, 2008, shall have received one dose of the Meningitis and Tdap vaccine, given no earlier than the 10th birthday. **Proof of these immunizations is required to begin 6th grade.**

1. **Tdap Vaccine**- All children born on or after January 1, 1997 and enrolled in Grade 6 are to receive one booster dose of the (Tdap) Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis vaccine no earlier than their 10th birthday, provided 5 years have lapsed since the last dose.
2. **Meningococcal Vaccine**- All children born on or after January 1, 1997 are to receive one dose of meningococcal-containing vaccine.

****If your child is entering 6th grade and under age 11, the vaccines must be received within 2 weeks of their 11th birthday****

A copy of your child's official vaccine record completed by your health care provider must be presented to the School Nurse at the beginning of the school year, or have this form completed by your doctor.

Child's Name _____

Meningococcal Vaccine **Date Received** _____

Tdap Booster **Date Received** _____

Physician's Signature _____

Physician's Stamp

Thank you,

Diane T. Boysen, RN and Lisa Sullivan, RN