



Dear Parent or Guardian:

There were changes made to the Texas State Immunization Law several years ago which will affect your student for the 2012-2013 school year. The changes to the requirements were made in order to update the Texas school immunization requirements so that they adhere more closely to the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). For information regarding immunizations requirements go to www.dshs.state.tx.us/immunize. The changes include:

Varicella: All students entering 7th grade will be required to have 2 doses of Varicella vaccine. A written statement from a parent (or legal guardian or managing conservator), or physician attesting to a history of Varicella disease (chickenpox), or of varicella immunity, is acceptable in lieu of either dose of varicella vaccine.

Tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis containing vaccine (Tdap): All students entering 7th grade will be required to have one dose of Tdap vaccine if it has been five years since their last dose of a tetanus containing vaccine.

Meningococcal Vaccine: All students entering 7th grade will be required to have one dose of meningococcal vaccine.

Many of our students have received these shots over the past year, but documentation may not have been received at school. If your student has not received the above immunizations, please call your doctor to schedule an appointment as soon as possible. An up-to-date shot record will be required for your student to pick up their schedule in August. You may start getting these vaccines now and provide the school with documentation. Updating records before August will help the schedule pick up process go much quicker. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

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