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6th Grade Vaccine Requirements

Date _____

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This is to inform you that the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) now requires new vaccines (N.J.A.C. 8:57-4) for students attending sixth grade. The amended regulations state the following:

Every child born on or after January 1, 1997, and entering grade six on or after September 1, 2008, shall have received **one (1) dose of Tdap** (Tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis) given no earlier than the 10th birthday.

Children entering or attending grade six on or after September 1, 2008, who received a Td booster dose less than five (5) years prior to entry or attendance shall not be required a Tdap dose until five (5) years have elapsed from the last D.T.P./Dtap or Td dose.

Every child born on or after January 1, 2007 and entering or attending grade six on or after September 1, 2008, shall have received **one (1) dose of a meningococcal vaccine**. Such as the medically preferred meningococcal conjugate vaccine.

Please have your child vaccinated. Ask your child's doctor to fill out the attached form and return it to me.

Sincerely,

School Nurse

Student Name: _____ Date _____

Teacher: _____ Age _____

The above-named student has received:

Tdap (date) _____ Meningococcal (date) _____

Signature of Physician

Physician's stamp