

Dear Parent/Guardian:



The purpose of this letter is to inform you of an immunization requirement that will impact rising 6th grade students. Prior to the start of school, students entering the 6th grade are now required to receive a booster dose of Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) vaccine.

Attached you will find a flyer that addresses common questions about Tdap vaccine and this immunization requirement. Please review this flyer and schedule an appointment with your health care provider or local health department for your child to receive the Tdap vaccine prior to 6th grade entry. The Tdap vaccine is free; however, your health care provider may charge an administration fee to give the vaccine.



If it has been five years since your child received a tetanus-containing vaccine, he/she will need a dose of Tdap. If it has been less than five years, talk to your child's doctor about the need to receive a dose of Tdap.

You will have 30 calendar days from the first day of attendance to present the required up-to-date immunization record for your child. If proof of vaccination is not provided by the end of the 30 calendar day period, the child will be suspended from school until he/she provides proof of immunization as required by law or shows that he/she has begun the immunization process.



Your child needs a booster dose of Tdap by _____.
Please be prepared to provide proof of immunization (i.e., Certificate of Immunization) on the first day of school.

If you have any questions, please contact _____
at _____

Sincerely,

Principal