

June, 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian:

New York State Public Health Law, Section 2164, has been amended to **require students entering 7th grade to receive a vaccine against meningococcal disease. *This law, effective September 1, 2016, requires that school districts not permit a child to attend school unless the parent provides the school with proof of this vaccine from his/her private health care provider.* Please check with your health care provider as soon as possible to make sure your child has the needed immunizations for school entry in September.**

In addition, New York State Education Law requires that **all students entering 7th grade must have a physical examination.**

Attached is the school medical form which must be completed by your physician and returned to the health office **within 30 days of the first day of school. In addition, please complete the top section, the Student's Health History section and parent's signature.**

All these sections must be completed for your child to be cleared for sports.

Sports physicals which were conducted June 8th and 9th at the Middle School will satisfy this requirement.

****If your child wishes to participate in a fall sport, this form MUST be returned to the health office on or before the first day of school (attention school nurse). Do not have your child give this form to the classroom teacher. Fall sports begin Friday, September 9, 2016.**

Sincerely,

Lorraine Phillips, R.N.

Nancy Crowley, R.N.