

June 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian:

New York State Law requires students entering 12<sup>th</sup> grade to have a Meningitis vaccination. This vaccine will be required for school entry for the 2019-2020 school year.

A total of two doses will be required before 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Most students entering 12<sup>th</sup> grade received their first dose when they were younger and are now due for their second dose, or booster. This booster is needed because protection from the vaccine decreases over time.

The only teenagers who will **not** need a second dose before 12<sup>th</sup> grade are those who received their first dose on or after their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Proof of these immunizations must be submitted to my office by **September 18, 2019**. Students will NOT be allowed to attend school on **September 19, 2019** without these records.

It is best to check with your doctor to see whether or not your child needs the vaccine. To avoid any loss of instructional time, please do not wait to contact your child's healthcare provider for an appointment.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (914) 738-8110 extension 1128.

Sincerely,

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