



Franklin

COUNTY SCHOOLS

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Hello, parents and guardians of rising **7th** and **12th** graders,

Your student needs additional vaccines for school entry in **August 2023**.

In middle school, all students are required to have a Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis booster) and meningococcal vaccine upon entering 7th grade.

At the high school level, all students are required to have a booster dose of the meningococcal vaccine upon entering 12th grade.

These are not new requirements. However, historically many families forget or wait until close to the deadline, and students are faced with possible exclusion from school due to not meeting the vaccination requirements set forth by NC law.

To help families keep their adolescents healthy and in school, the Franklin County Health Department will host three adolescent health vaccination events before the fall deadline for submission of required vaccination records. These events will include after-hours appointment opportunities to accommodate parents' work schedules.

Parents may register for one of these events and have their rising 7th or 12th-grade student immunized against Tdap, meningitis, and/or HPV (human papillomavirus - recommended for adolescents but not required for school entry).

The first adolescent health vaccination event will be held:

When: Wednesday, **May 10th, 2023** **This is an early release day for FCS!

Time: **3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Location: Franklin County Health Department (**107 Industrial Drive, Louisburg, NC**)

Cost: Insurance will be billed or no out-of-pocket cost for adolescents without health insurance

The registration link for this clinic opens on April 5th and will close on April 26th, so be on the lookout for additional information with the registration link to come home the week of March 27th.

If you have any questions or are unsure if your student has received the required vaccinations, please contact your school nurse.