

From the Health Office For the 2018-2019 School Year

June 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This letter is meant to provide important information regarding the immunizations required by New York State for all students entering 6th grade as well as procedures for students who will receive medication at school.

Immunizations: Students entering the 6th grade are required to have the following immunizations in addition to those previously required. These are:

- **Tdap** (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) Vaccine
- 2nd **Varivax** Vaccine for chicken pox.

If you have already sent this documentation to the nurse at the Main Street School, your child's immunization record has been updated. If your child has recently received these immunizations and you have not yet sent the documentation, please send it now to the Middle School Health Office. **Record of these immunizations must be handed in by the 1**st week of school in September.

Compliance with New York State Immunization Law is mandatory and your attention to the matter is appreciated. *In September, 11-year-old students without the Tdap documentation will be considered out of compliance.* Students who are 10 years old as they start school in September must receive the immunization within 14 days of their 11th birthday.

Medications: It is important to inform the school nurse of any health/medical issues (i.e. allergies/epipen, asthma/inhaler, et al.). Medication forms completed by a NY state medical provider and <u>signed by a child's parent/guardian</u> must be provided if you wish your child to be able to receive over-the-counter medication (acetaminophen, ibuprofen, etc.) or if your child requires prescription medication in school. No medication will be given without a completed medication form. All medication supply (including over the counter) should be brought to the Health Office in the <u>original container</u>. Severe Allergy medication must be accompanied by an Anaphylaxis Care Plan.

Attached to this email are: a physical exam form, immunization form, medication form, emergency information form and anaphylaxis care plan form.

For any health/medical questions, please call the Health Office. Thank you and have a safe and happy summer,

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