

Required Immunizations and Medications for the 2020-2021 School Year

June 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your 5th grader will soon enter Irvington Middle School as a 6th grader. This letter is to provide important information regarding the immunizations required by New York State for all students entering grade 6 as well as procedures for students who will receive medication at school.

Immunizations: Students entering the 6th grade are **required by NY state law** to have the following immunizations:

- **Tdap** (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) Vaccine (age 11 and older)
- 2nd Varivax Vaccine for chickenpox.

Students who are 10 years old in September must receive the Tdap immunization within 14 days of their 11th birthday.

Medications: It is important to inform the school nurse of any health/medical issues (allergies/epipen, asthma/inhaler, etc.) your child may have. If your child has allergies and/or asthma, you are required to provide the Emergency Care Plan Form. If your child requires prescription or over-the-counter medication in school, the Medication Authorization Form must be completed by the physician and signed by parent/guardian every school year. Parents are required to to fill out a Health Office Emergency Form for EACH child if you are unable to be reached when your child is sick or injured. Please indicate any pertinent health history, medications and appropriate persons/phone numbers for use in an emergency. The forms you may need are attached and also on the IMS website.

Please return completed forms to the Middle School Health Office **by September 8, 2020**. No medication will be given without a completed medication form. Medication supply (including over the counter) is provided by you and should be brought to the Health Office in the original container.

Should you have any questions regarding the information above, please call or email the IMS Health Office.

Thank you,

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