

## Required Immunizations and Medications 2019-2020 School Year

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your 5<sup>th</sup> grader will soon enter Irvington Middle School as a 6<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> grade are **required by NY state law** to have the following immunizations:

- **Tdap** (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) Vaccine (age 11 and older)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Varicella Vaccine for chickenpox.

Students who are 10 years old in September must receive the Tdap immunization within 14 days of their 11<sup>th</sup> 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 and/or Asthma Action Plan. 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. The forms you may need are on the IMS website.

Please return completed forms to the Middle School Health Office by September 6, 2019. No medication will be given without a completed **medication authorization 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 the IMS Health Office before the end of school.

Thank you and have a wonderful summer,

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