

## LETTER TO PARENTS REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS

**TO:** Parents of Transfer Students  
**FROM:** School Health Clinic  
**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**SUBJECT:** Immunizations

In order to attend school, your daughter/son must have completed the following immunizations which are required under Ohio Law Sections 3313.671 and 3701.13 of the Ohio Revised Code:\*

- Four (4) or more doses of DTaP or DT, or any combination. Three doses of Td or a combination of Td and Tdap is the minimum acceptable for children age seven (7) and up.
- Effective with the 2012-2013 school year, and each year thereafter, one dose of Tdap (Tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis, adolescent and adult formulation) must be administered prior to entry into the seventh(7<sup>th</sup>) grade. If one dose of Tdap was part of the initial series, another dose of Tdap will not be required. For students who entered 7<sup>th</sup> grade in 2010 or 2011, one dose of Td (Tetanus and Diphtheria is acceptable. Tdap can be given regardless of interval since last tetanus or diphtheria-toxoid containing vaccine.
- Three (3) or more doses of OPV or IPV. If the third dose was received prior to the fourth birthday, a fourth dose is required. If a combination of IPV or OPV were received, four doses of either vaccine are required. For students that entered Kindergarten in 2010 or later, the final dose of polio vaccine must have been administered on or after the fourth birthday, regardless of the number of previous doses.
- Three doses of Hepatitis B vaccine. The second dose must be given at least 28 days after the first dose, and the third dose at least 8 weeks after the second dose and at least 16 weeks after the first dose. The last dose in the series (3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup>) must not be administered before 24 weeks of age.
- Two (2) doses of MMR [Measles (Rubeola), Mumps, and Rubella (German Measles)] vaccine are required. The first dose must have been received on or after the 1st birthday and the second dose at least 28 days after the first dose.
- In the 2010-2011 school year, one (1) dose of Varicella vaccine will be required for grades 1-4 entry. This requirement is progressive, therefore extended to students in grades 2-5 in 2011, 3-6 in 2012, etc. Beginning with the start of the 2010-2011 school year, and progressively thereafter, all children entering Kindergarten are required to have two (2) doses of varicella vaccine. The first (1<sup>st</sup>) dose of vaccine must be given on or after the child's first (1<sup>st</sup>) birthday. The second dose should be administered at least three (3) months after dose 1; however, if the second dose is administered at least 28 days after the first dose, it is considered valid.

**According to Section 3313.671, on the 15th day after school entrance it will be necessary to exclude all students from school who do not meet the above requirements.**

\*NOTE: Exceptions are provided for under the law. This can be discussed with the school's nurse.