



WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

To protect school children and the people around them from serious diseases, the State of Maryland requires that all students are up-to-date on their vaccinations. You are receiving this letter because our records show that **your child may not have the vaccinations that are required to start 7th grade this fall.**

For your convenience, the Washington County Health Department and Washington County Public Schools are working together to offer school-required vaccinations at your child's school in May or June. You do NOT have to be present and you **will NOT be charged a deductible or copay.** These immunizations will be provided at **no out-of-pocket cost to you.**

If your child is entering 7th grade, it is required that she or he is vaccinated against:

- Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis (Tdap)
- Meningococcal Meningitis (MenACWY)

If you want your child to be vaccinated, please:

1. Fill out every section of the Consent Form completely. Write neatly and use ink.
2. Read the Vaccine Information Statement and talk to your healthcare provider or the school nurse about any questions you have.
3. **Return the consent form no later May 24, 2018.**

We will send a vaccination record home with your child on the day he or she has been vaccinated. There are some children who cannot receive the required vaccinations because of medical reasons. If this is the case, we will send a note letting you know that your child did not get vaccinated.

We are pleased to provide this service to make sure your child enters school in September vaccinated and ready to learn. Please call your school nurse if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Earl Stoner, MPH
Health Officer

Enclosures: Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) - Tdap,
Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) Meningitis Vaccine
Parent/Guardian Consent Form 2018

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