West Deptford Middle School Health Office 675 Grove Road West Deptford, NJ 08066



June 20, 2022,

To the Parents/Guardians of incoming 6th grade students,

If your child will be 11 years old when they begin 6th grade, they are required by the New Jersey Department of Health, to receive both the Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine (Menactra), and Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis (Tdap) vaccines <u>prior</u> to the <u>first day</u> of the 2022-2023 school year. Written medical documentation by a physician of these vaccinations must be provided to the school nurse. If a Health Physical is completed with vaccinations, please attach a copy to your child's vaccination records.

Students that are 10 years old when entering sixth grade will not be required to receive these vaccines until they turn 11 years of age. They need to have written documentation of their appointment on the day that they are scheduled to be vaccinated. They must receive the vaccine within two weeks of their 11th birthday.

If your child does not have health insurance, you may bring your child to the Gloucester County Health Department Immunization Clinic at no cost to you. You must make an appointment: Call 856-218-4100 between 8am-4pm. The Health Department is located at 204 E. Holly Avenue, Sewell, New Jersey.

You can email, fax or put the documents in the School Nurse drop box, placed outside of the West Deptford Middle School. Please contact Kim Lee at the health office if you have any questions.

Failure to comply with this state mandate may result in your child's exclusion from school.

Sincerely,

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