

March 2021

To: Parents or Guardians of current 6th grade students

Re: Required Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Tdap) and Meningitis vaccines

Ohio law requires students entering the seventh grade be vaccinated against Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis (Tdap). Since most children received their last dose of this vaccine when they entered kindergarten, it is likely they will need a booster at this time. If your child has already received a booster dose of Tdap, please provide a copy of this record to the school.

Ohio Law also requires a vaccine to prevent meningitis; your child has probably **not** had this vaccination.

Both of these requirements **must** be completed **before** school starts this fall.

You can get these vaccines at your child's doctor or pharmacy if they administer vaccines. You can also get these vaccines at the Fulton County Health Department. Other recommended immunizations for children this age are also available and include Hepatitis A and HPV vaccines. Cost depends on the type of vaccine administered and insurance coverage. The health department is contracted with many insurance plans and has vaccines available for children without insurance.

Immunization clinics will be held at the Fulton County Health Department by appointment only.

Please call 419-337-0915 for an appointment and to ensure they are contracted with your insurance provider.

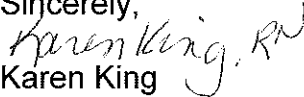
**Appointments can be scheduled:
Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays: 8:30 am to 4:00 pm**

1st & 3rd Thursday of each month: 2-6 pm

A parent or guardian must accompany the student to the clinic or sign an "Immunization Consent Form", which can be downloaded from the health department website to permit another responsible adult to immunize the child on your behalf. **You must take your child's current immunization record (from your doctor's office) with you or you may be refused services.**

If you have any questions about childhood immunizations, please phone your family physicians or contact the health department at 419-337-0915.

Thank you for your help in this matter!

Sincerely,

Karen King
School Nurse

March 2021

To: Parents or Guardians of current 11th grade students

Re: Required Meningitis vaccines

Ohio law requires students entering the twelfth grade be vaccinated against meningitis. If your teen has already received the MCV4 meningococcal vaccine and it was given after their 16th birthday, another vaccine is not necessary. Please provide a copy of the vaccination record to the school. A dose given prior to 7th grade does not meet this requirement. An additional dose is needed prior to 12th grade. This vaccination requirement **must** be completed **before** school starts this fall.

You can get this vaccine at your teen's doctor or pharmacy if they administer vaccines. You can also get these vaccines at the Fulton County Health Department. Other recommended immunizations for children this age are also available and include Hepatitis A and HPV vaccines. Cost depends on the type of vaccine administered and insurance coverage. The health department is contracted with many insurance plans and has vaccines available for children without insurance.

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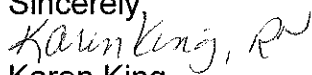
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