## **Fairfield Community School District**

607 East Broadway Fairfield, Iowa 52556 641-472-2059

Iowa Code 2023, Section 139A.8

Dear Parent/ Guardian,

All students entering 7<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade are required to have the Meningococcal vaccine before school starts this fall.

Meningococcal disease is life threatening illness that is caused by bacteria that infects the brain, blood, and spinal cord. It easily spreads in crowded settings and typically affects older teens and young adults.

All students entering 7<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade must have proof of the Meningococcal vaccine **before school starts in August**, unless the student has a Certificate of Immunization Exemption.

There is **no** grace/extension period for the implementation of this requirement.

Now is a great time for your student to receive these immunization requirements and beat the back-to-school rush by making an appointment for your incoming 7<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade student.

If you have questions, do not hesitate to contact me at 641-472-2059 or email at <a href="mailto:alicia.roop@fairfieldsfuture.org">alicia.roop@fairfieldsfuture.org</a>

Thank you for your time and this attention to this requirement.

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