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Dear Parents of Incoming 6th Graders,

All 6th graders need a physical and dental exam.

The Illinois State deadline for Physicals and Immunizations is 10/15/24. It is strongly recommended that these are completed prior to the first day of school. If the exam and/or immunizations are not completed prior to the first day, we are requesting that you provide the school with an appointment date, health care provider, etc. in order for your child to be admitted to school. Appointments become more difficult to obtain as the school year begins, so please make your appointments now! (Please note: School physicals can be used for the sports physical requirements. However, sports physicals cannot be used for 6th Grade physicals.)

In addition to completing a school physical for 6th grade, the following immunizations must be completed and up to date:

- 1) **TDaP Vaccine (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis) - must have one dose of TDaP vaccine regardless of the interval since the last DTaP, DT or Td dose.**
- 2) **Hepatitis B Vaccine (3 doses, interval of at least 4 weeks between the 1st & 2nd dose; interval of at least 2 months between 2nd & 3rd dose; interval of at least 4 months between the 1st & 3rd dose).**
- 3) **Varicella (Chickenpox) Vaccine – must show proof of having 2 doses, interval of at least 4 weeks between 1st & 2nd dose, or proof of having the disease (must include the month & year of disease).**
- 4) **MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) Vaccine – must show proof of having 2 doses of Measles, Mumps and Rubella, interval of at least 4 weeks between 1st & 2nd dose.**
- 5) **MCV (Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccination) – All 6th graders will be required to show proof of receiving 1 dose on or after 11 years of age.**
- 6) **Any other immunizations that are not complete.**

Illinois State Law now requires that all students in Kindergarten, 2nd Grade, 6th Grade, and 9th Grade have a dental examination completed. The dental examination must be completed before or during the upcoming school year.

THE DENTAL EXAMINATION MUST BE COMPLETED AND TURNED INTO THE SCHOOL BEFORE MAY 15, 2025. Dental examinations must have been completed within 18 months of the May 15th deadline.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT YOUR CHILD WILL HAVE HIS/HER DENTAL AND PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS COMPLETED ON TIME. The necessary forms for the dental and physical examination are enclosed with this letter. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.