

SAMPLE NOTICE OF 7th GRADE IMMUNIZATIONS REQUIREMENTS

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Whenever children are brought into group settings, there is a potential for the spread of infectious disease. To help protect your child and others from whooping cough (pertussis) and meningitis, Idaho law requires students entering the 7th grade to have proof of receiving an adolescent whooping cough booster shot (Tdap) and meningococcal (MCV) shot before starting school.

Students who do not have proof of receiving a Tdap booster and meningococcal shot will not be able to start school until proof is provided to the school (please note: the tetanus-diphtheria booster shot, Td, will not meet the requirement).

We want to make sure your child starts school on time. I urge you to:

1. Get your child's Tdap and meningococcal shots now.

Avoid the back-to-school rush. A large number of students need a Tdap and meningococcal shot between now and the start of school next year. Make an appointment with your child's doctor or clinic for your child to get these shots now.

2. Save your proof of immunization.

Be sure to keep the written proof of your child's shots in a safe place. Your child will need to provide proof of immunization in order to start school.

Getting these adolescent shots now will not only help protect your child against the ongoing threat of whooping cough and meningitis, but will also meet the school requirements. If you have any questions, please contact _____ at _____.

Sincerely,

School Administrator's Name