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Dear Parents:

Sincerely,

The Ohio Department of Health recently revised the School Immunization Requirement for students who will be **seventh graders for the 2021-2022 school year.** Therefore, your current sixth grade student will need to receive a Tetanus, Diptheria and Pertussis booster (Tdap) **AND** one dose of the Meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine **prior to the start of school, August 18th**. State vaccination requirements are intended to minimize the risk of vaccine-preventable diseases. Therefore, your child will need to show proof of vaccination before they can return to school in the fall.

As with other school immunization requirements, students who do not provide documentation of this immunization are subject to exclusion from school. We are providing this letter now to allow ample time to meet this requirement. Please contact your healthcare provider to determine if your child needs these immunizations. The Lake County General Health District also provides childhood immunizations at low cost. They may be reached by calling 440-350-2554 for an appointment.

Please have your healthcare provider complete the attached form as proof of immunization compliance. This form may either be returned directly to your school's clinic or emailed to:

vera.schwarten@weschools.org

or

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If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please feel free to contact me, at 440-975-3800.