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Office of Human Resources and Health Services

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IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR RISING TWELFTH GRADE STUDENTS 2023-2024 School Year

Parents/Guardians of Eleventh Grade Students:

Effective July 1, 2021, all students are now required to have the following immunizations PRIOR to entry into the TWELFTH GRADE:

Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine (MenACWY, MCV4, Men B)*

*Two properly spaced doses of MenACWY are now required, one prior to 7th grade and a second prior to enrollment in the 12th grade. If a rising 12th grade student has already received one dose of the MenACWY by the age of 11, the student is still required to receive a booster dose prior to entry in the 12th grade. Any rising 12th grade student who has already received one dose between the ages of 16-18 has fulfilled this requirement. Rising 8th – 11th grade students will not be required to go back and receive the 7th grade dose.

You will find additional information regarding required vaccinations in the attached document from the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) entitled *Virginia Childhood Vaccination Schedule for 7 Years*—18 Years.

The above-mentioned immunization may be obtained from your doctor or the health department. **Documentation of this immunization must** be provided to your child's school for enrollment into twelfth grade. To assist our students in receiving the required vaccinations for school entry, we have scheduled vaccination clinics with the VDH. Middle and High School students requiring vaccinations may report to either of the sites listed below. Shots are free for school enrollment from the Botetourt County Health Department, and documentation will be provided by the health department after you receive the vaccines.

Immunization Clinics:

Central Academy Middle School July 27, 2023 11:00 am-2:00 pm Read Mountain Middle School July 27, 2023 1:00-3:00 pm

<u>Pre-registration for the drive-thru clinies is required.</u> Please call the Botetourt County Health Department at (540) 666-4275 to register. A parent or guardian must be present with any child under the age of 18 at the time the immunization is given.

Your child's school has a vaccine record on file should you need this information. Please contact your school nurse, doctor, or local health department should you have questions.

Thank you,

Tim A. McClung

Director of Human Resources and Health Services

Attachment: Virginia Childhood Vaccination Schedule