

May 4th, 2020



Dear Parents,

The Tennessee Board of Health recently added a new vaccine requirement for seventh grade students. Since the fall 2011 school semester, **ALL** incoming seventh grade students must show proof of having received one dose of the Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis) vaccine and must be current on their MMR vaccinations (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) **before enrollment into the seventh grade can be completed**. We strongly recommend that sixth grade parents prepare to have their students receive these important vaccinations during the summer if they have not already received them.

To meet these requirements, an **official Tennessee Department of Health** immunization record must be provided to the school showing the date your child received these vaccines and a signature or stamp of the doctor or clinic who provided the vaccines. If your child has already received these vaccines, he or she will not be required to receive it again, but will need to provide proof.

The Tdap and MMR vaccines are available from your doctor, clinic or healthcare provider and is covered by most health insurance plans. All county health departments also provide the Tdap vaccine, especially for children who do not have health insurance. Please contact your health care provider or local health department to schedule an appointment or to find out the hours when vaccines are given.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students protected. Please contact the front office at (901)730-4086 if you have any questions or concerns.

Best Regards,

WMS Office Staff

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