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To: The Parents/Guardians of Students Entering 6th Grade

From: Laura Griffiths, School Nurse

Subject: 2024/2025 Mandated Immunizations/Physical

As of September 2008, the State of New Jersey has mandated that students entering sixth grade receive a diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccine and one dose of the meningococcal vaccine. Since these immunizations are required by the State of New Jersey, Alpha Public School must comply. Information on these immunizations can be found on our website.

Also, a physical is highly recommended at this developmental stage by the State of New Jersey and the Alpha Board of Education. Contact your physician and schedule an appointment as soon as possible to have a Universal Health Form completed and updated for our school records. This form and information can be obtained from the school website www.apsedu.org, the health office or main office. Also, this is a great time to have your physician check for scoliosis.

The Universal Health Form, immunization records, and any other documentation from your physician can be sent in with your child, mailed or faxed to the health office. All medical documentation must be received prior to the beginning of the 2024/2025 school year mandated by the State (Regulation N.J.A.C. 8:57-4.1 to 8:57-4.24).

If you do not have insurance, you can contact the Warren County Public Health Nursing Agency at (908) 475-7960 to schedule an immunization clinic appointment for a nominal fee. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me. Thank you for your cooperation in this health matter.

Sincerely,

Laura Griffiths, MSN, RN, CSN-NJ

School Nurse