

WEST CLARK COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

To: Parents/guardians of West Clark students in grades 6 to 12
From: School Nurses
RE: New immunization requirements

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) and the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) have **revised** our school immunization requirements.

The following are changes for the **2010-2011** school year:

1. One **meningococcal** vaccine (MCV4) will be required for all students entering **6th-12th** grades.
2. One **Tdap** (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) booster will be required for students **11 years of age entering 6th – 12th grades.**
3. **Two** varicella (chickenpox) for all grades (unless there is history of the disease)

For **2011-12** the following is planned:

1. **Two Hepatitis A** for PK, K, and 1st grade

We urge parents/guardians to plan now so that your child will be properly immunized as they enter the **next school year**. Most physicians are already giving these immunizations, but now the State Health Department is requiring them for the schools. Your physician or local health department can assist you in obtaining these immunizations.

We appreciate your help with this in order for your child to be in compliance with the State Health Department and **avoid exclusion** from school.