

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Clarksville-Montgomery County School System would like to remind you, as the parent/guardian of a 6<sup>th</sup> grade student, of the rules regarding immunization requirements for the upcoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade students. These requirements are necessary for your child to be admitted into the 7<sup>th</sup> grade next school year.

The Tennessee Department of Health has issued immunization requirements for all students entering into the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and are as follows:

- Documentation of Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis Booster (TDaP) – not required if a Td booster dose is recorded as given less than 5 years before 7<sup>th</sup> grade entry (on the appropriate DTaP/DT/Td line of the certificate).
- Verification of immunity of varicella (Chicken Pox) - 2 doses or history of disease

Tennessee state law requires facilities to accept only the Official Certificate of Immunization. Proof of immunization must be on this certificate. For currently enrolled students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade, only proof of the two new immunizations is required on the new certificate of immunization. It is not necessary to copy the information from the previous certificate on to the new certificate. Your healthcare provider or the health department will provide you with the certificate when you take your child for his/her required immunizations. School staff, including the school nurse, cannot complete or make changes to the certificate. This must be done by your healthcare provider.

Please make arrangements with your healthcare provider or the health department for your child to receive these new immunizations prior to the first day of the 2016-2017 school year. The Montgomery County Health Department can be reached at 931-648-5747.

It is state law that no child be permitted to attend school until proof of immunization is provided to the school. \*Exemptions: Please see our policy on medical/religious exemptions for more information.\*

For additional information, please visit the TN Department of Health website at <http://health.state.tn.us/CEDS/required.htm>

Please feel free to contact the school nurse for any questions or additional information. You may also contact the District Registered Nurse, Christie Beasley, at 920-7976.

Thank you for your cooperation,



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