

JEFFERSON AREA LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

This is to inform you that at the start of the 2016-2017 school year all incoming 12th grade students are required to have two (2) doses of the meningococcal vaccine (MCV4). The MCV4 is a **new** required vaccine for 12th grade students attending Ohio schools starting the 2016-2017 school year.

If the first dose of the MCV4 was administered on or after the 16th birthday, a second dose is not required. In this case, only one dose after 16 years of age is required.

The meningococcal vaccine is recommended to help protect your child from a severe form of bacterial meningitis as well as other illnesses caused by this bacterium.

Written proof of the date the meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine(s) was administered is required from your child's health care provider at the start of the 2016-2017 school year. Students without adequate proof of these vaccinations will be subject to exclusion. If you have any questions, you can call me at 576-4731 ext: 1351.

Thank you,

Amy Beckwith, BSN, RN
Nurse Supervisor