

## CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW ROCHELLE

### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

# Immunization Requirement for Students Entering 6<sup>th</sup> Grade in 2014

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

New York State Law Section 2164 requires certain immunizations (shots) to enter 6<sup>th</sup> grade and attend school. Please check with your health care provider as soon as possible to make sure that your child has all the needed immunizations. Please note that the NYS Department of Health recently revised the requirements. If you have had other children attend 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, please review this chart carefully. The requirements are listed below.

# Required Immunizations for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

| Immunization                                                                                                      | Number of Doses                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Tdap:  • Boostrix® (licensed for use with 10 - 64 year olds)  • Adacel® (licensed for use with 11 - 64 Year olds) | Age 10: Not required to receive the Tdap until they turn 11 years old. At that time they must provide documentation of a booster dose of Tdap or provide proof of an appointment for the booster dose within 14 days.  Age 11: Must receive an immunization containing Tetanus toxoids, Diphtheria, and acellular Pertussis (Tdap). |
| Varicella (chickenpox)                                                                                            | 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Polio                                                                                                             | 3 to 5*                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

\* Polio: The need for Polio #4 depends upon what type of Polio vaccines were administered and the ages of administration of the vaccines.

#### Proof of immunization must be 1 of the 3 items listed below:

- An immunization certificate signed by your child's health care practitioner (MD, NP, PA).
- Immunization Registry report (NYSIIS or CIR from NYC) from your health care practitioner or the Westchester County Department of Health (or another county health department if you resided elsewhere when your child was immunized.

## <u>Note:</u>

For Varicella (chickenpox), an blood test report (antibody level/titer) or a note from your health care practitioner which states that your child had the disease is also acceptable.

Thank you for your attention to these new immunization requirements. If you have questions or concerns about immunizations, please contact the school health staff.

<u>Note:</u> Students newly entering the City School District of New Rochelle need to meet the full NYS Immunization requirement for school entry and attendance.

If you have questions or concerns about immunizations, please contact your School Nurse.