

May 23, 2018

Dear Parent/ Guardian(s) of Incoming 12th Grade Penta Career Center Students,

REMINDER

Immunization Update for 2018-2019 School Year

In January of 2016, The Ohio Department of Health issued a new immunization mandate requiring all students entering the 7th and 12th grades receive the Meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine. This requirement is in an attempt to curb the recent increase in cases of meningitis which can cause serious illness, neurological debility or even death. Your son/daughter may have already begun the immunization process, but the number of MCV4 doses (1 or 2) required is dependent on the age of your son/daughter.

Since your son/daughter attends classes at Penta Career Center, and not their member school, they are required to follow the same rules for vaccination as set forth by the State of Ohio.

If your son/daughter will not be receiving this vaccination for medical reasons, please provide an exemption form with documentation from the physician indicating the reason for waiving the vaccination. Should you choose not to vaccinate your son/daughter for good cause or religious reasons, please write a letter indicating your reasons for waiving the MCV4.

Please make sure that documentation of vaccinations or exemption letters/waivers are turned in to either your member school or the school nurse at Penta Career Center.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey Kurtz
Director



Adrienne Gurney, RN
School Nurse