

Bernards Township Public Schools  
Nurse's Office

March 1, 2011

Dear Parent / Guardian of 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Student:

Please be advised that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:40-21.2, the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services requires the following two vaccines **for all students entering sixth grade in September 2011:**

- Meningococcal vaccine, one dose
- Tdap vaccine (booster), one dose

**Students will not be allowed to enter sixth grade without a Health Care Provider's documented proof of these vaccines. This documentation should be given to your child's present school nurse no later than June 1, 2011.**

**Additional Note:** Many physicians will not administer these vaccines unless the child is 11 years of age. For June, July or August birthdays please forward documentation of the immunizations to the Annin Middle School Nurse

It may be possible that your child has received these immunizations during an annual physical exam; however, we do not have documentation in their health record. Please contact your school nurse notifying her of the status of the immunizations.

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Thank you for your assistance with meeting this new state mandate.

Sincerely,

*Gerri Moran, RN*

School Nurse