



Buffalo Public Schools
Social-Emotional and Wellness Supports
Health Related Services Office

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

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As the parent/guardian of a child entering 7th grade please be aware that your child **must** have a **Men-ACWY (Meningococcal)** immunization prior to the start of the school year per **New York State Public Health Law** (section 2164). Please send proof of immunization (verification of appointment no longer acceptable) to the school nurse where your child will be attending **within 14 days** of the start of the school year. Proof of immunization must be **any of the** items listed below:

- An immunization certificate signed by your healthcare provider
- Immunization Registry report (NYSIIS or CIR from NYC) from your healthcare provider or your county health department

Please be aware that if your child does not have the **Men-ACWY (Meningococcal)** immunization before school starts he or she will not be allowed to continue in school after the 14-day deadline, until the shot is administered and proof (documentation) has been provided to the school nurse.

The HPV vaccine is an *optional* immunization available to your child and typically administered around 11 years of age. The vaccine is *optional*, please speak with your child's doctor to learn more about the HPV vaccine and to decide if it is right for your child.

Please submit proof of your child's immunization(s) to the school nurse. If you need assistance contacting your school nurse please call the school office, or the Health Related Services Department at the number below.

Thank you for your attention to this important health issue.

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