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Dear Parents of Incoming Sixth Graders:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you about an immunization requirement for entry into sixth grade related to diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccines. The key points regarding the requirements of this state law are the following:

- Students who are entering sixth grade on or after September 1, 2009 and who are 11 years of age or older must receive an immunization containing tetanus toxoids, diphtheria and accellular pertusis (Tdap).
- If a student has received a Td, DT, or DTaP vaccination within the last two years, the student's Tdap vaccination should be deferred (with rare exceptions) until a period of two years has elapsed.
- 10 year-old students who are entering sixth grade will not be required to receive a Tdap vaccine but they must be immunized when they turn 11 years old.

Please have your physician complete the date of the immunization and sign in the area below.

Name of Student

Physician's Name (please print)

<u>Td</u> / DT / DTaP Date of Immunization (please circle type)

Physician's Signature/Stamp

This form may be returned to your elementary school nurse at either Anne Hutchinson School or Greenvale School until June 23; thereafter, please send to the Middle School nurse at the above address.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the nurse at your elementary school.

Very truly yours,

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