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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Thank you for keeping your student's vaccinations up-to-date.

As a reminder, Louisiana R.S. 17:170 aka Student Immunization Laws, states that each student entering any school within the state shall present with satisfactory evidence of immunity to or immunization against vaccine-preventable diseases **at the time of registration or entry** according to a schedule approved by the Louisiana Department of Health, Office of Public Health, or shall present evidence of immunization administration program in progress.

By keeping up with the Immunization Schedule for your child's age, he/she will be protected. When all students are up-to-date with their vaccines, the chances of students missing school or becoming ill due to vaccine preventable diseases is greatly reduced.

Each year, all public and private schools are assessed for student up-to-date vaccination. School nurses are responsible for notifying parents of their children's missing immunizations. **Once notified, you have a one-month period to get your child vaccinated and considered up-to-date.** When you receive a notification from the school nurse, please schedule an appointment with your child's pediatrician if they have insurance or any Parish Health Unit (PHU), Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) or Rural Health Clinic (RHC).

Many of our schools now have School-based Health Clinics where your child can receive their vaccines, with your signed consent. Options for exemption can be found at <https://ldh.la.gov/page/2846> for those who qualify.

According to Louisiana Department of Health Immunization Program "LA Links" your child needs the following immunizations to reach compliance status:

REQUIRED VACCINATIONS FOR ENTRY INTO DAYCARE AND SCHOOLS							
Daycares/Early Learning		Grade K-12 Schools			Post-Secondary Schools		
Vaccinations	Doses	Grades	Vaccinations	Doses	Vaccinations	Doses	
Child must be up to date on vaccinations for their age (see recommendations listed above) according to a valid immunization record		Starting at Kindergarten ^[1] and all subsequent grades thereafter	DTaP ^[2]	5	MMR	2	
			HepA	2		Tdap	1
			HepB	3		MenACWY	2 doses, or 1 dose if 1 st dose administered on or after age 16
			IPV ^[3]	4			
			MMR	2			
		VAR	2				
		Starting at 6 th grade and all subsequent grades thereafter	Tdap	1			
			MenACWY	1			
		Starting at 11 th grade and all subsequent grades thereafter	MenACWY	Second Dose			

Thank you for protecting students from vaccine preventable diseases and supporting the LA Student Immunization laws.

Sincerely,

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