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Dear Junior Parent/Guardian,

The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene has changed the school immunization requirements. Starting September 1, 2016, students entering 7th and 12th grades will be required to have received an adequate dose or doses of MCV4, (meningococcal conjugate vaccine). Specifically, this means that students entering the 7th grade must have received one dose of MCV4, and that students entering 12th grade must have received two doses of MCV4, unless their first dose was administered at 16 years of age or older. If the student’s first MCV4 was administered at 16 years of age or older, then only one dose will be required.

Please contact your physician to find out if your child is in need of one or two doses of the vaccine and schedule an appointment.

In an effort to fulfill this new mandate in a timely and smooth manner, I am sending this notice with ample time to have the immunization administered.

Kindly send in proof of MCV4 vaccine(s) by April 4, 2016.

Thank you for your help regarding this very important matter.

Sincerely yours,

Ms. D Ambrosio, RN
School Nurse