



## Tdap and New MCV4 IMMUNIZATION FAQ

*Parents of incoming 7th- through 12<sup>th</sup>-graders must provide documentation of immunization compliance (on physician letterhead and/or with physician signature) to the student's school of attendance as soon as possible. Students who have not provided documentation of the Tdap, MCV4 immunization, and other required immunizations may not be permitted to attend school until documentation of immunizations has been provided.*

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### **Who needs the MCV4 immunization?**

All incoming 7th-grade and 12th-grade students need the MCV4 (Meningococcal) immunization. Parents are encouraged to schedule an immunization appointment with their child's primary care physician before the first day of school.

#### **Who needs the Tdap immunization?**

All students in grades 7-12 need one dose of the Tdap vaccine.

#### **Why does my child need the MCV4 and/or Tdap immunization?**

The Ohio Department of Health requires all students in grades 7-12 to have one dose of Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis) due to an increase in the numbers of cases of pertussis in children who have completed the initial series of tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis.

The Ohio Department of Health has also added MCV4 (Meningococcal) immunization to the list of requirements for students entering the 7th-grade and 12th-grade. Students entering grade 7 need one dose of MCV4. Students entering grade 12 need two doses of MCV4, unless they received the first dose after age 16.

#### **I do not have a primary doctor. Is there a clinic where I can take my child to receive immunizations?**

Yes, the Clermont County Immunization Clinic offers immunizations. The clinic is by appointment only, is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., and is located at 2400 Clermont Center Drive, Suite 200, 45103. To make an appointment or for fee information, call 735-8400. No child will be turned away due to an inability to pay.

#### **What other immunizations does my child need?**

For a complete list of immunizations required for attendance in Ohio schools, visit <http://1.usa.gov/1VdGWgg>.

#### **How do I let the school nurse know my child has received required immunizations?**

Obtain a document on physician letterhead that shows the Tdap, MCV4, and other immunizations were administered. Return documentation to the school nurse/health aide at the child's school of attendance.

NAGEL MIDDLE SCHOOL  
Fax: (513) 474-5584

ANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL  
Fax: (513) 232-2295

TURPIN HIGH SCHOOL  
Fax: (513) 232-9047

AYER ELEMENTARY  
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Fax: (513) 231-3666

SUMMIT ELEMENTARY  
Fax: (513) 474-1525

WILSON ELEMENTARY  
Fax: (513) 231-3202

#### **What if my child is not immunized?**

Students who do not have proof of immunizations on file by the first day of school may be excluded from school.

*For more information, parents should contact their primary care physician; the school nurse/health aide at their child's school; or Chris Wolfer, RN, school nurse, at 232-7770, ext. 2832 or [christinewolfer@foresthills.edu](mailto:christinewolfer@foresthills.edu).*