## SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

## Dear Parent/Guardian:

The New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services requires all incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to have had one dose of Tdap (Tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis) and one dose of meningococcal containing vaccine. If your child has had a Td booster within 5 years, he/she will not be required to receive a Tdap until 5 years have elapsed.

The state also **recommends** that your child have a physical prior to 6<sup>th</sup> grade entrance. I have enclosed a physical form which also includes space for the documentation of the required immunizations. This form is for students who **will not** be participating in the school's sports program next year.

For students who **will be** participating in the interscholastic sports program next year, a Pre-participation Physical is required by the state for all students in the 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades. This required form can be downloaded from the school's website or you can contact my office and I will send it home with your child. **No student** will be permitted to participate in sports without the completed mandated form. See enclosed form for details.

Please remember that these immunizations must be completed by the first day of school in September or your child will be excluded from school.

Please call my office if you have any questions.

Thank you for your cooperation.

School Nurse