VANDALIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

July 19, 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians of incoming 6th graders

Please be advised that all **incoming 6th graders** are required by State Law to have a current <u>Physical Exam</u> (dated after 8-18-15), on the attached Certificate of Child Health Examination form. Be sure the Health Care Professional completes the **diabetes screening** on the physical portion, and they **sign & date the physical.**

Requirements for the 2016/2017 school year are that **all** 6th **graders** must show proof of having a **Tdap** (Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis) immunization. **All** 6th **graders** must also show proof of **2** doses of **Varicella** or proof of prior Varicella (Chicken Pox) Disease, and proof of **2** doses **Rubella & Mumps vaccine** (**or 2 MMR's**). A **new requirement** is **all** 6th **graders** must show proof of **1** dose of **Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine** (**MCV4/Menactra**). Please have your Health Care Provider or your Local Health Department check your child's immunization record and give the immunizations if needed. Have them fill out the immunization portion of the physical, sign & date it, or attach an updated copy of your child's immunizations, so we can update our Health Records.

The State of Illinois also requires that all incoming 6^{th} graders show proof of having a **<u>Dental Exam</u>** (dated after 11-15-15). If you are unable to find a dentist, please fill out the appropriate forms at school registration so that your child may participate in the School Dental Safari program.

We ask that you turn in the Physical & Immunization form when you come to register and pay fees, in August, prior to school starting. The Dental form must be completed by May 15th 2017.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. These are State Requirements for all Illinois Schools. If you have any questions, please call your child's school.

Sincerely,

Sandy Stombaugh, R.N. School Health Aid Vandalia Community Schools