

# ***NEW 11th grade***

## **Immunization Requirement**

**BEFORE STARTING THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR, THE STATE OF GEORGIA NOW REQUIRES A BOOSTER DOSE OF MCV4 (MENACTRA) FOR ANY STUDENT, 16 YEARS OR OLDER**

**Meningococcal disease is a serious bacterial illness that affects the brain and spinal cord**

Proof of this vaccine documented on the Georgia Immunization Form 3231 will be REQUIRED for your child to attend the first day of school, August 6, 2021

*Please do NOT wait until AUGUST*

Any questions, contact Nurse Smallwood  
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Parents,

If your child is entering the 11<sup>th</sup> grade next school year, he or she is required by Georgia law to provide proof of a meningococcal booster shot (MCV4), unless the student's first dose was received on or after their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday. Please see the statement below from the Department of Public Health:

***Before starting the 2021-2022 school year, all students entering or transferring into 11th grade will need proof of a meningococcal booster shot (MCV4), unless their first dose was received on or after their 16th birthday. Meningococcal disease is a serious bacterial illness that affects the brain and the spinal cord. Meningitis can cause shock, coma and death within hours of the first symptoms. To help protect your children and others from meningitis, Georgia law requires students be vaccinated against this disease, unless the child has an exemption.***

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the meningococcal booster shot, please consult with your healthcare provider or school nurse.

Reference: <https://dph.georgia.gov/schoolvaccines>

Padres,

Si su hijo ingresará al 11 ° grado el próximo año escolar, la ley de Georgia le exige que presente prueba de una vacuna de refuerzo meningocócica (MCV4), a menos que la primera dosis del estudiante se haya recibido en o después de su 16 ° cumpleaños. Consulte la declaración a continuación del Departamento de Salud Pública:

Antes de comenzar el año escolar 2021-2022, todos los estudiantes que ingresen o se transfieran al 11 ° grado necesitarán un comprobante de una vacuna de refuerzo contra el meningococo (MCV4), a menos que la primera dosis se haya recibido en o después de los 16 años. La enfermedad meningocócica es una enfermedad bacteriana grave que afecta el cerebro y la médula espinal. La meningitis puede causar shock, coma y muerte a las pocas horas de los primeros síntomas. Para ayudar a proteger a sus hijos y a otras personas de la meningitis, la ley de Georgia requiere que los estudiantes se vacunen contra esta enfermedad, a menos que el niño tenga una exención.

Si tiene alguna pregunta o inquietud con respecto a la vacuna de refuerzo meningocócica, consulte con su proveedor de atención médica o con la enfermera de la escuela.

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