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IMPORTANT SENIOR IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Congratulations as you and your student prepare to enter Senior year! This will be a very busy year for you and your student. This letter is a reminder to parents about the meningococcal (MCV4) immunization requirement for incoming seniors. **The Revised Law of the State of Ohio (3313.671) states that all students entering the 12th grade are required to have meningococcal vaccine (MCV4).**

Ohio Law and our district policy allows a 14 day period for compliance after registration/first day of school. **If a student does not obtain the required vaccinations and provide written documentation to the school by this deadline, the school will exclude that student on the 15th day until it is completed.**

A special note to students with alternate schedules (for example, BHS students attending school off campus at college) and/or attending JVS. The Ohio immunization law applies to these students as well. Health records are maintained at your student's home school (BHS) and need to be delivered by the student/parent to the BHS office.

In summary, your incoming senior:

- 1.) needs to have the MCV4 vaccine (or immunization waiver) at/or before the deadline (14 days after the start of the school year) and,
- 2.) must present proof (with an updated shot record) that they have had the vaccine to the high school office at/or before the deadline (14 days after the start of the school year).

Please take care of this important matter over the summer to avoid the back to school rush, any potential shortages of vaccine and exclusions from school in the fall. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. In addition, I am happy to accept updated vaccine records electronically via email at any time and over the summer.

The Clinton County Health Department (CCHD) is a valuable resource for immunizations and information about immunizations. Please call the CCHD at 937-382-7221 for an appointment if you wish to take advantage of their services.

Thank you! Have a safe and healthy summer.