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Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform you of the immunization requirements for students entering their senior year of high school in the State of Ohio. All seniors are required to receive the Meningococcal vaccine prior to entry into Grade 12. The Meningococcal vaccine prevents bacteria that is commonly spread from person to person, especially in teens and young adults. These bacteria can cause meningitis, which is an infection of the fluid and lining surrounding the brain and spinal cord; it can also enter the bloodstream, causing sepsis.

Please contact your healthcare provider to schedule an appointment to receive the Meningococcal vaccine or any other vaccines your child should need for the next school year. For a complete list of immunization requirements for school-age children in the State of Ohio, please go to:

[www.odh.ohio.gov/odhPrograms/dis/Immunization/imunchsc.aspx](http://www.odh.ohio.gov/odhPrograms/dis/Immunization/imunchsc.aspx).

Sincerely,

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