

Avon Lake City Schools
12th Grade Immunization Letter

April 1, 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians of **Current 11th Grade Students**:

The Ohio Department of Health has updated immunization requirements and now requires that ***2 doses** of MCV4-Meningococcal vaccine be administered **before a student enters 12th grade**. This vaccine protects against meningitis. You will need to show proof of your **current 11th grader** having received these vaccines **before** he or she can return to school in the fall of 2019. We hope that by sharing this information with you now you will be able to complete this form during regular physical appointments with your child's doctor and return it to school. Please follow up with your child's physician to be sure proper vaccines are in place. If you would like more information on meningitis, please use the following link <https://www.cdc.gov/meningococcal/>

***If the first dose of MCV4 was administered on or after the 16th birthday, a second dose is not required.**

Ohio Revised Code (Section 3313.671) requires "exclusion" on the 15th day of school entrance of all pupils who do not meet the above requirements.

Student Name: _____ DOB: _____

Please complete EITHER box A or B

A. MCV4-Meningococcal- Two doses REQUIRED if first dose given before 16th Birthday.

1. ____/____/____ (Please enter the month, date, and year of the vaccine)

2. ____/____/____

B. WAIVER OF IMMUNIZATION: I decline to have my student immunized with Meningococcal vaccine for reasons of conscience, including religious convictions.

Signature of parent/ guardian _____ Date _____

Please call your doctor for further questions regarding this vaccine. Forms can be returned when completed to the high school office **beginning immediately** or may be faxed to the number listed below.

Thank you for your understanding and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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