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Dear Parents 11th and 12th graders,

This letter is to inform you that New York State Public Health Law, section 2164, requires children entering 7th and 12th grades to be adequately vaccinated against meningococcal disease.

Meningococcal meningitis is a serious disease which can lead to death within hours. Survivors may be left with severe disabilities, including the loss of limbs, cognitive deficits, paralysis, deafness, or seizures.

**When your child enters 12th grade, he/she will be required to have at least one (1) meningococcal ACWY vaccine on or after his/her 16th birthday (regardless of any previous doses) in order to attend school.**

**We encourage you to consult with your child's health care provider regarding his/her immunization status during their 11th grade well visit.** Please forward documentation of any meningococcal vaccines to your child's school nurse as soon as possible so that we may update his/her health record, in order to ensure your child's smooth transition in September.

Please contact your child's school nurse with any questions regarding this matter.

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