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Dear Parent/Guardian:

New York State Public Health Law, Section 2164 mandates that schools shall not permit a child to be admitted without a certificate of immunization or proof from a physician, nurse practitioner, or physician's assistant that the child is in the process of receiving required immunizations. As of Jul.1, 2014, the New York State Department of Health has revised their immunization requirements for school attendance to now follow the Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices. The new revisions apply to previous vaccinations as well as those going forward.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 6:

Polio Vaccine- Student MUST have 3 doses, one of which MUST have been given at 4 years of age or older,(and 6 months after the previous dose)or a fourth dose will be needed. If 4 or more doses were given before 4 years of age, an additional dose is needed as well.

Varicella Vaccine- Student MUST have two doses upon entering Gr.6.

Tdap Vaccine - MUST receive one dose of Tdap by 11th birthday.

As per regulations, any student who is not in compliance are to be excluded from school following a 14 day grace period. You may choose to show proof of immunity via serology (blood titers). You will need to present written validation from your physician for vaccines that your child receives upon entering grade 6 in Sept, and or when he receives the Tdap Vaccine on his/her birthday.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 516-434-3253, or Lshalom@pobschools.org.

Sincerely,

Lenore Shalom,R.N.