

Gloucester City Public Schools  
School Health Services  
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Dear Parent / Guardian:

I am writing to inform you of the new "Minimal Immunization Requirements for School Attendance in New Jersey", according to Chapter 14 of the New Jersey State Sanitary Code that will be effective for the 2008/2009 school year. **Students entering 6<sup>th</sup> Grade in September 2008 must receive the following 2 immunizations:**

Tdap Vaccine (tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis)  
Meningococcal Vaccine

Your child will be excluded from school effective September 1, 2008, if you fail to comply with these state required immunizations. These absences will not be excused. If your child has already received these immunizations, please send verification (documentation from your doctor's office will only be accepted) to my office so it may be recorded on your child's health card. If you do not have a family physician or you do not have health insurance, please call one of the following numbers to schedule your child for the required immunizations:

Bellmawr Regional Health Center  
21 E. Browning Road  
Bellmawr, NJ  
856-931-2700

Camden Health Clinic  
600 Market Street  
Camden, NJ  
856-225-5128

Immunization is the single most important way parents can protect their children against serious diseases. Contact your doctor NOW to ensure your child receives the required immunizations. Please contact me with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Karen McGlinn, RN, MS  
School Nurse