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Dear Parent/Guardian:

**Minnesota's School Immunization Law** requires students to have documentation of certain immunizations before starting 7th grade. Documentation of the following shots are required for your student before the start of 7th grade:

- Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis): Booster dose needed unless one dose was given after 7th birthday
- Varicella (chickenpox): Immunization- need two doses or documentation of disease history provided by your health care provider. (Note: first dose must be given on or after first birthday)
- MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella): Second dose needed. (Note: first dose must be given on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday)
- Hepatitis B: a series of 3 immunizations given over a six month period.
- Polio (IPV or OPV): At least three documented doses given. (Note: fourth dose is not needed if third dose was given after the age of 4)
- **Meningococcal (Meningitis) – (MCV or MPSV)**

If your child will not receive any of these immunizations for medical reasons or because of your conscientiously held beliefs, written proof of exemption is required. Please sign the Waiver portion of the attached form and have it notarized.

If your child is in need of any of the required vaccines, contact your Health Care Provider now to make an appointment. Carver County Public Health offers (low-cost/free) immunizations by appointment on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month from 3-5 p.m. at the Carver County Court House in Chaska. To schedule an appointment please call Carver County Public Health at 952-361-1329. For any other questions or concerns, call St. Joseph Health office at 952-442-4500.

If you need your child's immunizations for your Health Care Provider, they are available on the parent portal. Please have your Health Care Provider fill out and sign the Pupil Immunization Record included with this letter and return by end of the school year.

**NOTE: Any student who does not have the mandated immunizations on file with the health office will be subject to exclusion until a completed immunization record is on file.**

Thank you for your prompt attention to this important matter.