

# St. Lucy's School

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Subject: **New Immunization Regulations**

**The Department of Health has revised the regulations regarding immunization requirements for school attendance effective September 1, 2016.**

We would like to take this opportunity to highlight the changes below:

- Students entering Nursery, K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades in the upcoming school year will now be required to have 2 doses of the varicella (chicken pox) vaccine and 3-4 doses of poliomyelitis vaccine. All other students will be able to attend school this year with 1 dose of varicella and 3 doses of poliomyelitis.
- Students will now need 2 doses of measles and mumps and 1 dose of rubella vaccine in K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Students will no longer be able to wait until age 7 to meet this requirement.
- Students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade must have a tetanus toxoids, diphtheria and a cellular pertussis vaccine. (Tdap)
- Students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade must have the meningococcal vaccine.

Please check with your doctor to update the vaccines and provide the update to the Main Office by the start of the school year.

**No child will be able to start in September without the appropriate vaccination(s).**

Yours truly,

*Mrs. J. Stefanini*

Principal