



# Colonial Heights Middle School

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Dear Parents of Rising 7th Grade Students:

The 2020 General Assembly passed HB 1090 which amends the minimum vaccination requirements for attendance at a public or private elementary, middle or secondary school, child care center, nursery school, family day care home, or developmental center. This legislation becomes effective July 1, 2021, and amends the Code of Virginia § 32.1-46.A.4. The new requirements are as follows:

**Diphtheria, Tetanus, & Pertussis (DTaP, DTP, or Tdap)** - A booster dose of Tdap vaccine is required for all children entering the 7th grade.

**Hepatitis A (HAV) Vaccine** – Effective July 1, 2021, a minimum of 2 doses of Hepatitis A vaccine. The first dose should be administered at age 12 months or older and the second dose 6 months after the first dose. If your child hasn't had any doses please be sure they have received at least one dose prior to their first day of 7th grade.

**Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccine** - Effective July 1, 2021, a complete series of 2 doses of HPV vaccine is strongly recommended for students entering the 7th grade. The first dose shall be administered before the child enters the 7th grade. After reviewing educational materials approved by the Board of Health, the parent or guardian, at the parents or guardians sole discretion, may elect for the child not to receive the HPV vaccine.

**Meningococcal Conjugate (MenACWY) Vaccine** - Effective July 1, 2021, a minimum of 2 doses of MenACWY vaccine. The first dose should be administered prior to entering 7th grade. The final dose should be administered prior to entering 12th grade.

Please be advised that documentary proof of adequate age appropriate immunization with the prescribed number of doses of vaccine must be provided to the nurse / counseling office prior to your child's first day of school. The updated vaccination record can be mailed, faxed, or dropped off during summer office hours.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and we look forward to seeing your student in the new school year.

Sincerely,

Mr. Burke George  
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cc Deborah King, R.N.