



# Glenwood Community School District

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Iowa Department of Public Health requires all students entering 12th grade to have a Meningococcal vaccine before school starts this fall.

Meningococcal disease is a life threatening illness that is caused by bacteria that infects the brain, blood, and spinal cord. It easily spreads in crowded settings. This vaccine will be required before both the 7th and 12th grades. **Two meningococcal (A,C,W,Y) vaccines must be received for students entering the 12th grade if born after September 15, 1999; or 1 dose if received when applicants are 16 years of age or older unless the student has a Certificate of Immunization Exemption.**

Proof of the vaccines must be received by the school before the first day of school in August, unless the student has a Certificate of Exemption. There will be **NO** grace/extension period for the implementation of the requirement. **Students will not be allowed to start school unless the school has received proof that the vaccines have been obtained.** You may drop off a copy of the new immunizations to the school office or have them faxed to the office at 712-527-3411.

Now is a great time for your child to receive these immunizations and beat the back to school rush by making an appointment for your incoming 12th grader. If you have a question, do not hesitate to contact me at 712-527-4897 ext 6006 or 712-527-4887 ext 4214.

Thank you for your time and attention to this requirement,

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