

Dear Parent/Guardian,

RE: 12th Grade Required Immunizations

The Iowa Department of Public Health requires that all students entering 12th grade have the 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 and typically affects older teens and young adults.

All students entering 12th grade must have proof of having the Meningococcal vaccine before school starts in August, unless the student has a Certificate of Immunization Exemption.

There will be no grace/extension period for this requirement.

Please make sure your 12th grader has all the required immunizations before school starts on August 23rd. Please submit an updated immunization record to Jenny Degen at Bishop Garrigan so your student's information will be up to date.

To check your child's immunizations, please contact your physician or you can call Community Health at 295-4430.

Thank you!

Jenny Degen
Registrar
Bishop Garrigan Schools