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MEMORANDUM

TO: PRINCIPALS, COUNSELORS, NURSES AND 5TH GRADE TEACHERS

FROM: JERRY HILL, SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION *JH*
KELLY STANHOPE, MA, BSN, RN, NURSE SUPERVISOR *KS*
BRENDA FOSTER, MSN, RN, NURSE SUPERVISOR *BF*

DATE: MAY 10, 2022

SUBJECT: TDAP REQUIREMENT FOR STUDENTS ENTERING 6TH GRADE FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

Please find the attached parent letter for current 5th grade students. Students 11 years of age or older are required to have the **Tdap** vaccine before entering 6th grade for the **2022-2023** school year.

School nurses will be responsible for sending the attached parent letter home with all 5th grade students by May 20, 2022.

Counselors will be responsible for adding the following statement to the last 5th grade report card:

REMINDER: All students 11 years of age or older are required to have the Tdap vaccine **BEFORE** entering 6th grade on **AUGUST 10, 2022**.

Please contact your lead nurse with questions.

Thank you!
Attachment
JH/KS/BF/ks

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Dear Parents or Guardians:

Alabama State Law (16-30-4) requires students to have an up to date immunization certificate for school attendance. **All students 11 years of age or older are required to have a Tdap vaccine booster before entering 6th grade.**

Parents and Guardians are encouraged to have their 11 or 12 year old student immunized as soon as possible to avoid the rush before the 2022-2023 school year. Please provide the school nurse with the updated immunization certificate as soon as possible. If your child has already received the Tdap vaccine, please provide a copy of the updated immunization certificate to the school nurse.

The **Tdap vaccine** may be administered by your pediatrician, family physician or the local Lauderdale County Health Department. The Lauderdale County Health Department will administer vaccines by appointment only. The Lauderdale County Health Department phone number is 256-764-7453.

If you have questions about the immunization requirement feel free to contact your physician, the Lauderdale County Health Department or school nurse.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jerry Hill', written in a cursive style.

Jerry Hill,
Superintendent

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