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IMPORTANT VACCINATION REQUIREMENT

August 1, 2025

Dear Incoming 7th Grade Parent/ Guardian,

Currently, all students entering 7th grade must show proof of a Tdap vaccination and 2 doses of the Varicella vaccination (chickenpox). We will need to have these turned in no later than Monday, August 18, before the start of school.

No student will be able to start school without proof of Immunizations.

Tdap is a booster shot to protect adolescents and adults against tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (whooping cough). Students can meet this requirement by receiving one dose of Tdap vaccine on or after their 7th birthday.

A record of your student's Tdap vaccination and 2nd dose of Varicella (chickenpox) must be on file in their school health record.

We recommend that families begin immediately to make arrangements for their students to receive these vaccinations. Parents should check with their child's physician to determine whether they currently meet this requirement.

If your child has not received their Tdap or 2nd dose of Varicella, please contact your child's doctor for an appointment. A copy of your child's updated immunization record must be brought to the school office or emailed to Nurse Abbe Keane @ akeane@woodsideschool.us or the WES school office no later than **Monday, August 18, 2025.**

Medical Exemptions (CAIR-ME)

If your child has a verified medical condition against vaccination, you are required to provide an official medical exemption through the California Immunization Registry – Medical Exemption ([CAIR-ME website](#)) by physicians licensed in California. To request a CAIR-ME, you must follow the instructions for parents on the CAIR-ME website. BOTH pages of the [CAIR-ME](#) document must be returned. A lab test (titer) and/or a doctor's note are no longer sufficient in meeting immunization requirements.

If you have any questions about these vaccines or medical exemptions, please contact our school nurse Abbe Keane at akeane@woodsideschool.us.