

Dear Parent / Legal Guardian:

Onslow County Health Department (OCHD) is partnering with Onslow County Schools (OCS) to provide the North Carolina State required school vaccines per N.C. Immunization Law 10A NCAC 41A.040 and other recommended vaccines to your child during school year 2019-2020 school.

Our efforts to partner with OCS to are to help increase vaccine compliance rates and decrease lost school and work time.

- All vaccines will be entered in the North Carolina Immunization Registry (NCIR). A copy can be requested at OCHD, your child's school, and at most pediatricians' offices.
 - **Is your child 18 years old or younger and uninsured?** Any or all vaccines can be provided free of charge under N.C. State regulations.
 - **Is your child 19 or older?** Must be covered by either Medicaid or private insurance to receive vaccines.

The following vaccines will be offered to each student:

FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS: (entering the 7th grade during school year 2019-2020)

1. Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, And Acellular Pertussis) (**Required**).
2. Menactra (meningococcal) (**Required**): Child must be 11 years old or older to receive this vaccine.
3. HPV (Human Papillomavirus) (**Recommended**): A two-dose cancer preventing vaccine!
4. Flu (**Recommended**).

FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: (New to N.C., not up-to-date, or plan to attend college requirements)

1. Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Acellular Pertussis): within 10 years of entering college.
2. Menactra (meningococcal) (**Required**): If child is 16 years old or older and has:
 - Received one dose before age 16: a 2ND (BOOSTER) dose now.
 - Never received a dose: one initial / final dose now.
3. HPV (Human Papillomavirus) (**Recommended**): A three-dose cancer preventing vaccine!
4. Flu (**Recommended**).

If you do not want your child vaccinated at his/her school, please do not complete this form.

- If you **are** interested in having your child vaccinated at his/her school, **parent / legal guardian** please:
 - complete sections A–F of the consent form,
 - sign the consent form in sections C and F,
 - **return the completed form to your child's school no later than Wednesday, 9/4/19**
 - attach a copy of your child's shot record. (**If applicable**).

Any incomplete sections / missing signatures / missing shot record will prevent your child from getting vaccinated at his/her school.

- Check the box(es) on the consent form section C next to the vaccination(s) you would like your child to receive.
 - By checking the HPV option, you are consenting for your child to receive a maximum of three (3) HPV vaccines to properly complete the vaccine series.
- We need the parent / legal guardian to complete the consent form, **not** your child.

- To ensure we capture accurate information an electronic version of the consent form can be found on the Immunization webpage at: <http://www.onslowcountync.gov/health>

If you are not sure whether your insurance plan covers these immunizations, whether your insurance plan's premium is paid or whether your insurance plan will pay OCHD, please contact your insurance plan before returning the completed form to your child's school to reduce / avoid your out-of-pocket responsibility. Note: See the enclosed listing of insurance plans with which OCHD is in-network.

You may contact your child's School Nurse or an Immunization Nurse at the Onslow County Health Department, 910-989-3992, with any questions or concerns.

We look forward to this opportunity to help keep your child safe, healthy and up-to-date on his/her immunizations.

Onslow County Health Department Immunizations Staff