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Incoming senior parent/guardian of 2015-2016 Academic year,

This notice is to inform and clarify information about the new Meningococcal Vaccine Requirements. House Bill 3190 was signed into law as Public Act 098-0480 to be implemented for the 2015-2016 school year.

In accordance with requirements of Public Act 90-0607, the State Board of Health is required to notify health care providers and parents of the new Meningococcal requirements for the 2015-2016 school year.

The new law will require students, upon entering the sixth and the TWELFTH grade of any public, private, or parochial school, to receive an immunization containing MENINGOCOCCAL CONJUGATE VACCINE (MCV4) in accordance with the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. The immunization requirement consists of:

- One dose of the MCV4 vaccine for 6th grade entrance and
- Two (2) doses for 12th grade entrance, unless the first dose was administered to a child who was 16 years of age or older, in which, only One (1) dose would be required at 12th grade entrance.

More information about the Meningococcal Vaccine Requirements can be found at: http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines

Please see your Health Care Provider to be vaccinated at the earliest opportunity to meet this school requirement which has a deadline of October 15, 2015.

You may mail your students health information to: Joliet Catholic Academy 1200 N. Larkin Ave. Joliet, IL 60435 or FAX directly to the nurses' office @ 815-741-3015.

Any questions or concerns regarding the health and wellbeing of your son/daughter while a student here at JCA please call the Health Office. Thanks you for your prompt attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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