Dear Parent,

Effective July 1, 2019, Louisiana law requires all students entering 11th grade, or 16 years of age and entering any grade, to provide satisfactory evidence of current immunization against meningococcal disease (MCV).

The law originated from the passage House Bill No. 176, from the 2018 Regular Session by Representative Leger, which mandates this school entry requirement. Revised Statue 17:170 E continues to allow exemption from this school entry requirement for written medical reasons and written dissent.

Please make an appointment with your physician or local health unit soon to obtain the vaccination. When your child has received the required vaccination, please ask your physician/health unit to provide an updated Louisiana "Universal Certificate of Immunization" for his/her school records and entry.

Thank you for your attention to this important health issue. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the School Nurse.

Sincerely,

P. Edward Cancienne, Superintendent