



Tdap Immunization Requirement

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Tdap vaccine is required for all children aged 11 years and older. This vaccine should replace one tetanus-diphtheria (Td) booster.

Since July 1, 2007, children attending sixth grade are required to show proof of Tdap vaccination for entry into 6th grade unless the student is younger than 11 years old on the first day of school or has previously received a Tdap vaccination. This is *different* from Dtap vaccines that were administered prior to attending kindergarten.

Complete your child's Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) form by sending in the following information:

- The date your child received one dose of tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (Tdap) vaccine (see the below sample chart), or
- Philosophical, religious or medical exemption form completed and signed by both you and their medical provider.

Immunization	Date Given		
	Month	Day	Year
Tdap			
Meningococcal (Optional)			
HPV (Optional)			

Please remember, your child's school must have updated documentation of all immunizations before the first day of school in fall 2018. A health checkup that includes vaccinations is recommended for all children aged 11-12 years. Schedule your child's checkup appointment at least one month before school starts to make sure they get the vaccinations needed for school.

Talk to your child's doctor, nurse, or clinic for more information on the Tdap vaccine, or visit: <http://www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/Immunization/DiseasesandVaccines/TdapTetanusDiphtheriaPertussisVaccine>

Sincerely,

Tahoma School Nurses

Please complete and return this form as soon as possible:

Student: _____ Doctor/Clinic: _____