

Dear 6th Grade Parents and Guardians,

As we look forward to summer break, I would like to take a moment to send a friendly reminder to have your GCMS Middle School 6<sup>th</sup> grade student's health requirements completed and turned in on or before the first day of school. You may bring paperwork such as physicals, vaccine records, etc. to registration with you and turn them in to the school nurse.

Below you will find the health requirements for entry into 6<sup>th</sup> grade. We appreciate your help in getting the school year off to a good start by turning these requirements in before school starts on August 16, 2017.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by calling the GCMS Middle School office at 217-784-8731.

Thank you,

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## **6th Grade Entry Requirements**

- Complete school physical
- Dental Exam
- Vaccines required:
  - Meningococcal vaccine (MCV4/Menactra)
  - Tdap vaccine
  - 3 doses of Hepatitis B (most students have already had this series of Hep B shots, but it is a 6<sup>th</sup> grade requirement)
  - 2 doses of Varicella vaccine

\*Please note that vaccine requirements are set by the State of Illinois and are updated each year accordingly. Your student may have already had some or all of the required vaccines for their grade level – please check with your healthcare provider to determine which vaccines they still need. Per State law, vaccine waiver requests from parents/guardians are no longer sufficient – If you need to waive a vaccine for your child, please contact your own doctor or healthcare provider for more information.