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**IMMUNIZATION HISTORY FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

*(Please print clearly in English)*

Please indicate the dates when your child received the following immunizations.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
year/month/day

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

	1 <sup>st</sup> dose year/month/day	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose year/month/day (if applicable)	3 <sup>rd</sup> dose year/month/day (if applicable)	4 <sup>th</sup> dose year/month/day (if applicable)	5 <sup>th</sup> dose year/month/day (if applicable)
<b>TETANUS</b>					
<b>DIPHTHERIA</b>					
<b>PERTUSSIS (Whooping Cough)</b>					
<b>POLIO</b>					
<b>HAEMOPHILUS INFLUENZAE type B</b>					
<b>MEASLES (Rubeola)</b>					
<b>MUMPS</b>					
<b>RUBELLA (German Measles)</b>					
<b>HEPATITIS B</b>					
<b>VARICELLA (Chickenpox)</b>					
<b>MENINGOCOCCAL C</b>					
<b>PNEUMOCOCCAL</b>					
<b>OTHER:</b>					

To protect your children, free school immunization programs are available to all students in British Columbia entering Grade 6, Grade 9, and Grade 12.

With your permission, a public health nurse will give your child the immunizations he/she is eligible for at their school. Please carefully read the following information about the vaccines. To give consent for immunization you must be the child's parent or legal guardian.

***Grade 6, Grade 9, and Grade 12 students are eligible to receive Meningococcal C vaccine, if they have not had this vaccine previously.***

**MENINGOCOCCAL-C** is a bacteria that can cause very serious infections called *meningitis* (an infection that affects the lining of the brain) and *septicemia* (an infection of the blood). The bacteria is spread to others through direct contact with droplets from the nose or throat (saliva) of an infected person. This can occur through activities such as kissing, or sharing of food, drinks, cigarettes, lipsticks, mouth guards used for sports, water bottles, or mouth pieces of musical instruments. Students living in a residence or dormitory accommodation are also at risk for meningococcal infection because of the close living arrangements. *Good personal hygiene (such as frequent hand washing and not sharing any item that may have saliva on it) can prevent meningococcal infection.*

**Possible vaccine reactions:** Tenderness, pain, redness and/or swelling may occur at the injection site. Fever, chills, mild headache, and fatigue may also occur within the first 24 hours after vaccination. These reactions are mild and short lasting. More serious reactions such as allergic responses, severe pain, or swelling are very rare and should be reported to the local health unit.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ request my child, \_\_\_\_\_ be immunized against Meningococcal-C. (one dose)

\_\_\_\_\_ (parent's signature) \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

***Grade 9 students are eligible to receive the Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis booster if the last tetanus-diphtheria containing vaccine was 2 or more years ago.***

**TETANUS-DIPHTHERIA-PERTUSSIS BOOSTER:**

**Tetanus** (lockjaw) is caused by bacteria that live in the dirt. If you have a cut that gets infected with the tetanus bacteria, the bacteria can make a poison that can cause muscle paralysis. It is particularly serious if the breathing muscles are affected.

**Diphtheria** is a serious infection of the nose and throat that kills 1 out of 10 people who get the disease. It can cause heart failure, paralysis, and breathing problems.

**Pertussis** (whooping cough) is a very contagious disease of the lungs and throat. It can cause severe coughing spells that often end with a whoop, spitting up mucous or vomiting. The cough can last up to a month or two and happens more at night. Pertussis can also cause pneumonia, convulsions, brain damage or death.

**Possible vaccine reactions:** Pain, swelling or redness at the injection site. These are usually mild and may last for 1 or 2 days. The reaction is more likely to occur if the person has received the vaccine more often than recommended. A small painless lump may also develop at the injection site, and usually disappears within 2 months.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ request my child, \_\_\_\_\_, be immunized against Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis. (one dose)

\_\_\_\_\_ (parent's signature) \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

***Grade 6 students are eligible to receive the Hepatitis B vaccine (2 dose series) if they have not had this vaccine series previously.***

**HEPATITIS B** is a virus that attacks the liver. It can cause permanent liver damage and scarring. It is the leading cause of liver cancer in the world, and in some cases causes death. British Columbia has had a higher rate of Hepatitis B than any other province in Canada, and about half the people who catch the disease never feel sick and can continue to spread the disease without knowing it. Hepatitis B is spread by contact with blood or body fluids of an infected person. This can occur through sexual contact with an infected person, sharing needles for intravenous drug use, or by contact with infected blood resulting from a schoolyard fight or helping a friend bandage an open wound.

**Possible vaccine reactions:** Hepatitis B vaccine is one of the safest vaccines used today. It usually has no side effects; however, your child may experience minor reactions such as redness, warmth or swelling at the injection site, tiredness or slight fever lasting 1-2 days.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ request my child, \_\_\_\_\_, be immunized against Hepatitis B (2 dose series).  
\_\_\_\_\_ (parent's signature) \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

***Grade 6 students are eligible to receive the Varicella vaccine if they have not previously had the chickenpox disease or vaccine.***

**VARICELLA (CHICKENPOX)** is caused by the varicella zoster virus. It spreads from person to person through direct contact with blisters that form on the skin, or through the air when a person with chickenpox coughs or sneezes. Chickenpox is a more serious disease in adolescents and adults, and in persons whose immune system is weak. Complications from chickenpox include inflammation of the bones, heart or brain, blood infection, and pneumonia. Chickenpox increases the risk of flesh-eating disease by 40 to 60 times.

**Possible vaccine reactions:** Pain, swelling, or redness at the injection site. These are usually mild and may last for one or two days. Fever and a chickenpox-like rash, at injection site or on the body, may appear in 1 to 3 weeks. The number of spots is usually small. The rash should be covered and the student can continue to go to school. If a chickenpox-like rash develops after vaccination and cannot be covered, minimize contact with persons with a weakened immune system.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ request my child, \_\_\_\_\_, be immunized against Varicella.  
\_\_\_\_\_ (parent's signature) \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

**\*\*With any vaccine or drug, there is a possibility of a shock-like allergic reaction. This can be hives, wheezy breathing, or swelling of some part of the body. If your child has had a shock-like, allergic reaction (anaphylaxis) to a previous dose of a vaccine or to any component of a vaccine, or if you have questions, call the Squamish Health Unit at 604-892-2293 (or your local health unit or doctor) before consenting for your child to receive the vaccine.\*\***