

## ARLINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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New York State Public Health Law requires that all students who are enrolled in sixth grade in any public, private, or parochial school and who are 11 years of age or older must receive a vaccine containing tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis (Tdap).

As with other mandated vaccines, the District must exclude students who have not met the State requirements for the Tdap vaccine. If your child turns 11 years of age during the sixth grade, they will be required to receive the Tdap vaccine once they have done so.

Since it is necessary for your child to have the Tdap vaccine if they are 11 years of age before he or she enters sixth grade, we recommend making an appointment for a scheduled visit to your child's physician soon. It is important that you provide written proof of the vaccination, signed and/or stamped by your healthcare provider, to the health office of your child's school as soon as you have it.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lisa Castaldo