



August 10, 2017

Dear Parents:

As you make summer plans and appointments, please keep in mind that we need updated health information regarding your children, especially regarding allergies, Epi-Pens and inhalers. Some of the forms require not only parent and doctor signatures, but also approval by the principal and pastor. **Please submit these forms by August 28th or as soon as possible.**

**Maryland Requirements for the 2017-18 school year are:  
Students in Kindergarten and Grade 1 must have 2 doses of Varicella vaccine.**

**Students entering Grades 7 and 8 must have a single dose of Tdap and  
a single dose of Meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine**

Required forms are posted on the TADS website so you may download what you need for your child's health care provider to complete.

**Please review the forms to be sure you have what is required for your child.** If your child has food allergies, please remember that we also need non-perishable foods to use in the event of a shelter in place situation. Please bring these on the first day of school, and call if you have questions about this.

**1. Archdiocesan Form 3, entitled Immunization Policy Acknowledgment. This 4-page form actually covers several aspects. Please review the detailed requirements for each child.**

*Page 1* is required only once per student, not required annually

*Page 2* is required when your child's immunizations are updated. This page is signed by the health care provider.

*Page 3* is required for **each student each year**, and must be updated as warranted throughout each school year by changes in health condition. **This page is signed by the parents.**

*Page 4* is required for each student once, and must be updated as warranted by changes in health condition. This page is signed by the health care provider.

**2. Archdiocesan Form 8, Student Medication Authorization. This is required annually for each student for each medication, (prescription or over-the-counter). This is signed by the parent and health care provider.**

**3. Archdiocesan Forms 6 and 7, Allergy Agreement and Action Plan and EpiPen/TwinJect Authorization.** These are required annually (and must be updated as warranted during each school year), and are **signed by the parent and health care provider, and then submitted to the school by August 8** or as soon thereafter as possible. This early submission is to allow processing by the principal and nurse, and finally, the pastor, in accordance with the directive of the Archdiocese of Washington Catholic Schools Office. This Plan and Authorization must be in place by the first day of school. We also need parents to provide emergency foods by the first day of school. This food is reserved for the individual student in the event of a shelter-in-place situation.

Thank you for your attention to these important requirements and need for early submission.

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