

Dear Parent/Guardian:

There have been some recent changes to the immunization regulations. These new regulations include one new age-specific immunization requirement and one booster dose requirement effective for the school year beginning on or after July 1, 2018. All students are required to have a current certificate of immunization status to attend a public or private primary or secondary school.

Required:

- 2-Dose Series of HepA
- Quadrivalent meningococcal vaccine (MenACWY) booster dose (Age: 16 years)

The Lake Cumberland District Health Department will have an immunization clinic **Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at the Pulaski County Health Department from 8:00-3:40** for Somerset Independent School students to receive the hepatitis A and meningococcal vaccination. Vaccine will be available by appointment only. Make an appointment by calling Pulaski County Health Department at **(606) 679-4416**. Parent/Guardian must accompany student to the health department. Please bring a copy of your child's current immunization record. Additionally, you will need your child's insurance card (Medicaid or private insurance).

***Why should my child get the hepatitis A shot?***

Hepatitis A is a serious liver disease caused by the hepatitis A virus.  
The hepatitis A shot:

- Protects your child from hepatitis A, a potentially serious disease.
- Protects other people from the disease because children under 6 years old with hepatitis A usually don't have symptoms, but they often pass the disease to others without anyone knowing they were infected.
- Keeps your child from missing school or child care (and keeps you from missing work to care for your sick child).

***Why should my child get the meningococcal shot?***

Meningococcal disease can refer to any illness caused meningococcus. These illnesses are often severe and can be deadly. They include infections of the lining of the brain and spinal cord (meningitis) and bloodstream infections (bacteremia or septicemia).

Any questions, please contact the Pulaski County Health Department at (606) 679-4416.



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