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Dear Parents and Guardians:

The **LENOWISCO Health District** is pleased to be able to offer a school-based adolescent vaccine program to assist parents in meeting the requirements for students who are rising 7th graders or rising 12th graders to receive school required immunizations. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to comply with this school enrollment requirement.

What are the minimum school immunization requirements for adolescents?

Tdap Vaccine: A booster dose of Tdap vaccine is required for all children entering the 7th grade.

Meningococcal Conjugate (MenACWY) Vaccine - Effective July 1, 2021, a minimum of 2 doses of MenACWY vaccine. The first dose should be administered prior to entering 7th grade. The final dose should be administered prior to entering 12th grade.

Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccine - Effective July 1, 2021, a complete series of 2 doses of HPV vaccine is required for students entering the 7th grade. The first dose shall be administered before the child enters the 7th grade. After reviewing educational materials approved by the Board of Health, the parent or guardian, at the parents or guardians' sole discretion, may elect for the child not to receive the HPV vaccine.

What vaccines will be offered at the school-based clinic?

Rising 7th Graders: TDaP, MenACWY, HPV

Rising 12th Graders: MenACWY

School-based clinics will be conducted during the month of April 2024.. **The consent forms must be returned to your child's school no later than March 27, 2024, with a copy of the front and back of your child's insurance card.** If you prefer, you may complete the consent form online, instead of a paper copy at: <https://redcap.link/lenospring24>

Insurance will be billed for the cost of vaccine administration, and parents will not be responsible for payment if insurance claims are denied. Please check your school's website or social media page, or the Health Department's website or social media page for specific dates of vaccine clinics. All the vaccine will be supplied by the **LENOWISCO Health District** and will be given by a licensed Nurse working with the local health department. Every precaution will be taken to ensure each child's well-being.

Please contact your local health department if you have questions.