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Dear Parent/Guardian:

“Stay on Track” is a school-site immunization initiative brought to you through a partnership between Transylvania County Schools and Transylvania Public Health to protect our children against meningococcal disease by administering the MCV vaccine.

- Meningococcal disease, which includes meningococcal meningitis and meningococcal sepsis, is caused by the bacteria *meningococcus*. Although rare, it’s very serious and potentially life-threatening. It can potentially kill an otherwise healthy young person within one day after the first symptoms appear.

Due to North Carolina immunization law, **ALL** children are **REQUIRED** to receive a booster dose of the MCV vaccine before entering twelfth grade or 17 years of age.

The vaccine will be offered to eleventh graders at your child’s school during the week of April 22. Transylvania Public Health school nurses will administer the vaccine to all students who have written parental permission. **If you wish to have your child vaccinated at school, please complete both sides of the attached permission form and return it to school no later than March 22, 2024.**

Eleventh grade students who do not receive the vaccines at school will be **REQUIRED** to get it at their doctor’s office or the local health department prior to entering twelfth grade.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Transylvania Public Health at 884-3135 or call your child’s private doctor.

Sincerely,

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