Immediate Action Required by Parent OR 7th Grade Child, 8th Grade Child Cannot Attend School

TO: Parents Whose 7th Graders or 8th Graders Have Not Met

State Tdap Vaccination Requirement

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Your seventh grader/eighth grader will not receive a schedule for school year 2016/2017 as your child has <u>not met</u> the Tdap vaccination requirement of the South Carolina Immunization Law. This law has been in effect since August 2013.

Students without proof of the Tdap vaccination will not be allowed to attend school on August 16, 2016.

If your child comes to school on Tuesday, August 16 without meeting the vaccination requirement, you will be contacted to pick him/her up from school. Your child cannot attend school until he/she meets the Tdap requirement. Medical exemptions issued by a doctor or religious exemptions issued by DHEC are also accepted. Students new to Greenville County from other South Carolina Counties or other states are granted a 30 day Exemption from the date of the student's enrollment.

The Tdap vaccination, which protects against diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis (whooping cough), is given by health providers, many pharmacies, and the Greenville County Health Department. For additional information, please contact the Health Department at 282-4100.