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Dear Parents,

As we prepare for next school year, we want to inform you of the new WYIS immunization policy. Every country has its own vaccination policies and schedules. Therefore, we have tried to develop a policy that is reasonably international by using the World Health Organization's recommendations. Please note that your home country might require different vaccinations.

Starting in August 2019, students without the required vaccinations will not be allowed to attend classes unless special permission is given by the school nurse.

	EC 3	EC 4 & 5	Grades 1-5	Grades 6-8	Grades 9-12
<b>Required vaccines:</b>	<i>Doses</i>	<i>Doses</i>	<i>Doses</i>	<i>Doses</i>	<i>Doses</i>
Polio * (See note below)	3-4	3-4	3-4	3-4	3-4
Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (DTP)	4	4	5*	5*	6 *
Hepatitis B	3	3	3	3	3
Measles	1	1	2	2	2
Mumps	1	1	2	2	2
Rubella	1	1	1	1	1
Haemophilus Influenza (Hib)*	1	1	0	0	0
Pneumococcal (PCV)*	1	1	0	0	0
Varicella (chicken pox)	1	1	1	1	0

**Notes:**

- Polio: 3 doses for injected vaccines (IPV), 4 doses for oral (OPV) or mixed vaccines.
- DTP: If 4<sup>th</sup> dose of DTP was after age 4, then 5<sup>th</sup> dose is not needed for grades 1-8.
- Grade 9 Tdap/Td: the last dose of DTP (Tdap or Td) must be given at or after the age of 11.
- Hib and PCV: If child is age 6 without any Hib/PCV doses, no catch-up doses are required.

In addition, the following vaccinations are highly recommended but not required:

- Hepatitis A, Japanese Encephalitis
- Rabies (for secondary students who may travel to rural areas on school trips)

If you have questions, please contact me at [sue.fryer@wysischina.com](mailto:sue.fryer@wysischina.com)

Sincerely,

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