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To: Parent/Guardians of Students Entering 7th Grade in 2012-2013
Parents/Guardians of Students New to Travis in Grades 8th – 12th

From: Travis Health Services and Student Services

Re: Immunization Requirement for students entering 7th grade
and students who are new to our school district in Grades 8th – 12th.

As you may know, Whooping Cough (Pertussis) became a widespread illness in California and across the state many citizens have been sick with Whooping Cough and students have had to miss school due to this illness.

In Spring of 2011, to help protect your children and others from whooping cough, a California law was passed which now requires students to be vaccinated against Whooping Cough.

In the 2012-2013 school year, all students entering 7th grade will need proof of an adolescent whooping cough booster shot (Tdap) before starting school. In addition, any student new to our school district in grades 8th-12th must show proof of the Tdap immunization.

By law, students who do not show proof of receiving a Tdap booster shot after the age of 7, will not be able to enter 7th grade until proof is provided to the school. *The tetanus-diphtheria booster shot, Td, will not meet the requirement.*

We want to make sure your child starts school on time next year and is being protected against this illness. Please help by doing the following:

1. Get your child's Tdap shot now.

A number of students may need a Tdap shot between now and the start of school next year. As soon as possible make an appointment with your child's health care provider. If you do not have health insurance for your student, call SKIP (Solano Kids Insurance Program) at (800) 978-7547. It may take up to 45 days to enroll if you qualify for the program. You may pick up a flier about SKIP from the Healthcare Specialist at your student's school. Some pharmacies in the area are giving the Tdap for a fee. See your site Healthcare Specialist for information. *If you do this you avoid any back-to-school rush and issues about enrollment at the beginning of the school year.*

2. Bring proof of immunization to your child's school as soon as possible.

Your child will need to provide proof of immunization in order to start school. We need this information by **May 13, 2012** *or as soon as you enroll in our schools* in order to up-date our school records.

Getting the adolescent whooping cough shot now will help protect your child against the ongoing threat of Whooping Cough and also meet the new school requirement. We appreciate your prompt support for the health of your child and to meet the new law requirement.

For more information, go to www.shotsforschool.org. If you have any questions, please contact the health specialist at your child's school.

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