## CHANGES TO THE PA SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 2017-2018

## 12TH GRADE NEW REQUIRED VACCINE

PA Department of Health now requires a second meningitis (MCV) vaccine for **students entering 12**<sup>th</sup> **grade** starting in August 2017.

## 7th GRADE VACCINES REQUIRED FOR FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

7<sup>th</sup> grade students who have not received the Tdap and meningitis vaccines before August 24, 2017 will not be admitted to school.

## **FIVE DAY RULE**

Under the new regulation, the current provisional waiver of eight months for school children to be fully immunized is reduced to five school days. Students who are not already fully immunized **must obtain the final dose of a multiple dose vaccine series by August 30, 2017** or they will not be admitted to school. 7<sup>th</sup> grade required vaccines are single dose or the first dose in series vaccines and must be received to attend the first day of 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS UP TO DATE ON ALL IMMUNIZATIONS NOW.

