



**TDAP BOOSTER TO BE REQUIRED FOR GRADE 6 STUDENTS
2011-2012 School Year**

Per order of the Virginia General Assembly, all Rising Grade 6 students must have a tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap) booster shot prior to entry into school this fall if at least five years has passed since the last shot.

Please review your child's shot record with your pediatrician. If his/her last shot was before 2004 please have a booster shot administered prior to the start of school. This shot may be listed as T, Td, Dtap, and/or Tdap. Call your doctor or local health department if you have questions.

Shots may be obtained from your doctor, military clinics, or the health department. As with other required immunizations, documentation is required by Green Hedges and will become part of a student's health history file.

The Virginia Health Department makes the shots available free of charge for all public and private school students and will provide the needed proof of immunization. You can find your local health department address via the Virginia Department of Health web page <http://www.vdh.state.va.us/>. On the top of the page you will find a link to the local health districts with contact information for each district office. Or you may contact your family pediatrician directly for fees and immunization information.