

Dear Parents,

This year a program called ShowMeVax was started to keep a record of immunizations. This is a confidential, centralized, computerized record of all vaccinations that children and adults have received. Our county health department is using it and several schools in the state are as well. It keeps immunization records in a secure, confidential and central database for easy and quick access to immunization histories no matter where the immunizations were given in Missouri. ShowMeVax serves several purposes. It provides a permanent record for the child and/or parent to access any immunizations entered into ShowMeVax forever. This information is permanently maintained by the state and can be accessed from any health department in the state and printed out for that person years from now. This can also be done from the office of any office who has privileges including doctors' and school health offices. Thousands of Missouri medical professionals voluntarily submit their patients' immunization records to ShowMeVax. All information is confidential and secure. Our county health department has offered to input our school's immunizations into ShowMeVax. If you do not want your child's immunizations entered into ShowMeVax please notify the school in writing by **December 1, 2015**. If you do not respond by December 1, 2015 your child's immunizations will be entered into ShowMeVax. If you have any questions regarding ShowMeVax please call me at school at 573-763-5446.

Thank you,

Celia McKague, RN

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