Sacred Heart Parents and Guardians,

Welcome everyone to a new school year! We have had a successful first month underway. Here are some important reminders of what is required for your child as the year has begun:

All Pre-K students: All vaccines must be up to date, including the Flu vaccine. Flu season has begun and all flu vaccines must be completed before December of this year. The flu is seasonal, which means your child is required to be vaccinated even if they were vaccinated at the beginning of this year. Please do not wait to get this done. It is very important that we keep all student safe and up to date on their vaccinations.

All Kindergarten students: Physicals and up to date vaccinations are required. I am still missing quite a few physicals for Kindergarten students. Please have this sent in as soon as possible.

All 6th Grade students: Tdap and Meningitis vaccinations must be up to date. There are quite a few missing updated vaccinations for 6th grade students.

All New Students in grades 1 through 8 must have a physical and up to date vaccinations..

Any child entering into a school sport (ie basketball) must have an updated physical in order to participate.

In two weeks the Health Department will begin school audits. This is to ensure that every student is up to date with all of their required vaccinations and physicals. Any student who is missing the required documentation will automatically be placed into a "provisional" category wherein they have a certain amount of time (determined by the health dept., usually 30 days or less) to correct any deficiency. If the deficiency is not corrected, the health department will direct the school to unenroll the student until the deficiency is corrected. We have no control over this. Your child's vaccinations are a state mandate and must be followed in order to retain your child's status in the school, which is why we urge parents and guardians to have all the required paperwork before the school year begins. If your child is still missing vaccinations or physicals please have that completed as soon as possible.

Any student who requires medication/treatments in school must have a completed Medication Authorization form signed by the pediatrician and parent. Please refer to the student handbook for more information. All paperwork required for medication administration is on the Nurse staff page on the school website.

We appreciate your understanding and hope your children have a happy and healthy school year!

Mrs. Leyla Pazmino, School Nurse