

# North Putnam Community School Corporation

## School Health and Nursing Services

Bainbridge Elem. School  
522-6233

Roachdale Elem. School  
522-1732

North Putnam Middle School  
522-2900

North Putnam High School  
522-6282

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

During the 2009 legislative session, IC 20-34-4-2 was revised, requiring the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) to “adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to require school age children to receive additional immunizations against the following: Meningitis, Varicella, and Pertussis (whooping cough). The additional immunizations required under the rules shall include an immunization booster if considered appropriate by the state department.”

**Beginning with the 2010-2011 school year, all 6-12<sup>th</sup> grade students will be required to have 2 doses of varicella vaccine, given on or after the first birthday, and separated by age appropriate intervals as defined by the CDC, or a history of chicken pox disease.**

The Putnam County Department of Health (653-5210) offers this vaccine, as well as most private healthcare providers. Please do not wait until August to obtain the vaccination as appointments are usually booked in August. Once the vaccination is obtained, you may send verification to the school nurse and she will enter the information into the health data base at your child’s school as verification that your child’s immunizations are up-to-date and meet ISDH/IDOE immunization requirements.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact your child’s school nurse.

Yours in Good Health,

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