

Direction des programmes jeunesse

## TO THE PARENTS OF GRADE 9 STUDENTS OR THE EQUIVALENT

### Subject: Immunization update information

Dear Parents,

In accordance with the Québec Immunisation Schedule, there will be planned vaccinations for Grade 9 students. In order to reach as many students as possible and ensure that their vaccinations is up-to-date, we will visit your child's school twice. In Quebec, the legal age for consenting to medical care is 14 years old. Your child is therefore able to consent to receiving the vaccines offered at school.

So that your child can make an informed decision about the vaccines that will be offered, an explanatory video is available via the following address: <a href="https://youtu.be/iyA09YCcA1M">https://youtu.be/iyA09YCcA1M</a>

It is very important that the video be viewed before the vaccination day. Parents are also advised to watch the video to support the child's decision.

#### Information about the vaccination

### Each student will receive:

- 1 dose of dcaT vaccine (diphtheria, wooping cough and Tetanos)
- 1 dose of **Meningitis** vaccine (meningococcal serogroup ACWY)
- 1 dose of Hepatitis B
- **In addition**, a nurse will take the opportunity to verify if any other vaccines are missing according to your child's age. If so, your child will be offered the missing vaccine(s) against diseases that still exist: poliomyelitis, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), varicella (chickenpox)<sup>1</sup>, hepatitis B and HPV vaccines.

<sup>1</sup> If your child has ever had varicella (chickenpox) after the age of one year old, he or she is considered protected. To facilitate the vaccination process, please inform your child if he or she has had varicella or not.

For further information regarding avoidable diseases through immunisation, consult the MSSS web site at: School-based vaccination Government of Québec (quebec.ca)

During vaccination day, we recommend that your child eat well and wear a short-sleeved top. Please **make sure your child brings his** or her vaccination record booklet.

### See the table on the back for the vaccination dates at your school.

# **Nurse / Contact information**

Name: Kathleen Buchanan, RN B.Sc.N. E-Mail: Kathleen\_buchanan@ssss.gouv.qc.ca In the event of an absence during the first visit, your child will have the opportunity to attend the second visit to receive his or her vaccines. You can also make an appointment at a CLSC at the following address: <a href="https://portal3.clicsante.ca">https://portal3.clicsante.ca</a>

Écoles	Vaccination dates
Philemon Wright	First visits: 20-21 November 2025 Second visit: 21 May 2026
D'Arcy McGee	First visits: 23-24 October 2025 Second visit: 24 April 2026