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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Re: Please provide digital consent for your child's upcoming immunizations available at a school clinic

Vancouver Coastal Health offers in-school immunizations to protect children against serious and life-threatening infections. School clinics provide a convenient way for children to receive recommended vaccines. Immunizations are offered in grades 6 and 9 to all students, and to kindergarten students who have not already been immunized outside of school. Students in other grades may be invited for catch up immunizations based on local capacity.

Immunizations are offered following consent provided by parents/guardians. Secondary school students can also consent for their immunizations. *New this year*, in response to request from families, you can complete the school immunization consent form online through the Provincial Digital E-Consent Portal.

If your child is entering Kindergarten, Grade 6, or Grade 9, please complete the digital consent form as soon as possible using this link:

<https://www.immunizationconsent.gov.bc.ca/>

You will need both:

- The parent/guardian's Personal Health Number (PHN), and
- The child's Personal Health Number (PHN)



If you are unable to complete the form online, a paper consent form will automatically be sent home at a later date. There is no need to request one. Completing the consent form ensures your child receives their recommended immunizations on schedule.

Details about your child's school immunization clinic, including the clinic date, time, and the vaccines being offered, will be sent home closer to the clinic date.

To learn more about immunizations offered in school or to book an appointment at a local public health unit, follow the links at this location: www.vch.ca/immunization. For questions about school immunization clinics or immunizations recommended for your child, please contact your school public health nurse who can be reached through your [local public health unit](#).

Thank you for helping keep your child protected.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Meena Dawar". The signature is stylized and cursive.

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