

## IMPORTANT IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION FROM THE INDIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

“The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) has announced that it will delay the recently published guidelines on the use of publicly funded vaccine for fully insured individuals until January 1, 2012.” (We were informed this spring that after July 1, 2011, students with insurance that pays for vaccines regardless of deductible, co-pay or caps must go to their physician for vaccines.) “This delayed implementation is to avoid the interruption of the existing immunization efforts of the Local Health Department’s during the ‘back-to-school’ immunization push when many children are getting caught up with vaccines to meet school entry requirements.”

***Indiana State Law requires all student’s immunizations be complete and on file at the start of the school year. If your child needs immunizations, you may wish to call the Hancock County Department of Health (477-1128) to schedule an appointment for FREE immunizations before the start of school on August 15, 2011.***