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To: District Superintendents  
Superintendents of Public and  
Nonpublic Schools  
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From: Anita Murphy 

Subject: Immunization certificates for high school graduates

Students who attend colleges and universities in New York State must provide documentation of having received two MMR (measles, mumps, & rubella) vaccinations. Students often do not have this documentation resulting in delays in registering for, or starting classes. The Governor has asked the Department to assist colleges and universities in obtaining the immunization certificates from the students.

In order to assist students in completing their education goals, the Department is encouraging high schools to forward a copy of the student's immunization certificate at the same time the final transcript is sent to the college or university. Additionally, high schools are encouraged to provide a copy of the immunization certificate to all graduates to assist them in gaining employment or pursuing higher education at a later date.

For more information, please contact the Office of Student Support Services at 518-486-6090 or email [StudentSupportServices@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:StudentSupportServices@mail.nysed.gov) .