

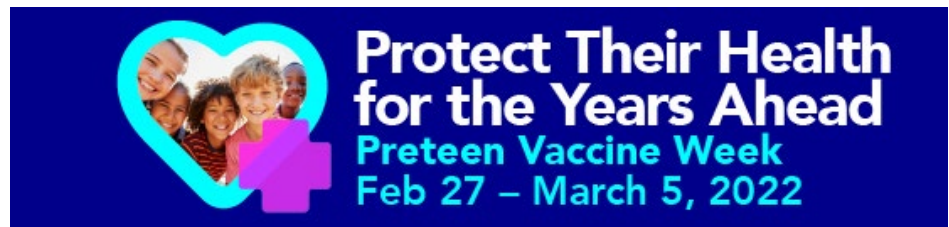
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Greetings Ventura County Schools,

This newsletter is meant to keep you up to date on issues related to vaccines quickly and easily and maintain our connection with all of you. We welcome your questions and comments. Please feel free to share this newsletter with other schools and colleagues.

### **Preteen Vaccine Week**

California's annual observance of *Preteen Vaccine Week* will take place **February 27<sup>th</sup>** through **March 5<sup>th</sup>** this



year. In the past two years our preteens are the group who have fallen behind the most and are not caught up on their immunizations. The [CHDP Immunization Branch](#) has a great campaign kit with promotional items, social media messages and even a letter from the school nurse template. We ask you to take this opportunity to promote and educate on the vaccinations recommended for preteens which are Tdap, HPV, meningococcal, and the flu vaccine. Please keep in mind that students may need to show proof of COVID-19 immunization starting in the 2022-2023 school year. See attached posters and suggested social media messages you can post around school or on your social media.

### **School Reporting**

CDPH has sent **Notices of Failure to Comply** to schools who have not submitted their *Immunization Assessment Report*. Please reach out to us at the Immunization Program if you need assistance in submitting your report. If you are a school that is closed or does not have students this year, you still must log on to the reporting site and confirm that your school is closed or has no students this year.

### **Cancer Prevention Month**

February is National Cancer Prevention Month. The Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine protects boys and girls from HPV-related cancers and other related infections. Vaccination is recommended by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) for children at 11 to 12 years of age, children as young as 9 years old can start their series of vaccination for HPV. For more information on [HPV vaccine](#) please visit the CDC's website.

**Did You Know...**

If a child is admitted conditionally and are exposed to diseases they have not been fully immunized against, or during an outbreak of the disease, may be subject to exclusion (17 CA Code of Regulations, Section 6060). For more information please see the [Conditional Admissions FAQ's](#) page on the ShotsforSchool website.

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