



# ELDERSLIE HIGH SCHOOL

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## School Vaccinations

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended for adolescents by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC).

In 2019 Years 7 and 10 will be offered vaccinations through the school program. The dates for Elderslie High Schools 2019 vaccination program are:

21/03/19	Year 7	Visit 1	HPV vaccine (dose 1), Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine (Single dose)
25/07/19	Year 10	Visit 2	Meningococcal ACWY vaccine
23/10/19	Year 7	Visit 3	HPV vaccine (dose 2)

**At each visit, Year 8 catch-ups and Year 7 missed dose catch-ups will be administered.**

On these dates the students must ensure that they are present all day, eat a good breakfast and ensure that they drink plenty of water during the day. Please note that vaccinations start during Roll Call.

The year 7 vaccination envelope contains a vaccination card which needs to be completed using capital letters and returned to the school by 1/3/19. Please complete all sections and sign all relevant boxes. Students are to return signed forms to the box located in the Library. The box will be labelled "Vaccinations" and will be on reception desk.

Following the vaccination, a record of the vaccination administered will be communicated, either as a physical card or as a text message to the mobile number provided by the parent/guardian on the consent form. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive the Record of Vaccination.

Parents/Guardians who do not want their child to participate in the program or wish to withdraw their consent may do so in writing to the school. The Procedure for *Withdrawal of Consent* is available on the NSW Health Website at [www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation)

Students who are apprehensive about receiving their vaccinations, the nurses will be available from 8.30am for parents to attend with their child. If you choose this option, please attach a letter with your completed forms stating this along with your contact details and your child's name.

Kind regards,

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Head Teacher Welfare

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Principal