



## Student – Parent Handbook

Dear Parents,

August 6, 2009

In our continuing effort to go paperless, we have placed the 2009-2010 Parent-Student Handbook on our website, rather than sending home a hard copy. Each year we update the handbook to reflect any new changes/additions in school information, regulations and/or school policies. This year the additions made pertain to:

- **Uniform Policy and Dress Code: page 31**

A navy vest or V-neck sweater with the school logo will be worn by our Grade 5 students.

- **Required Immunizations page: page 33**

Proof of completed PA State mandated immunizations are required before a child may attend school.

PA State Law states, “that a child may not be admitted to school without proof of these immunizations”.

- Diphtheria/Tetanus: 4 or more doses, the fourth is required after the age of four
- Polio Vaccine: 3 or more doses required
- MMR Vaccine: 2 doses are required, the first dose given after the 1<sup>st</sup> birthday.
- Hepatitis B: 3 doses are required (properly spaced)
- Varicella: 2 doses of vaccine or history of disease (phased in by 2010/2011)

Students entering the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade starting in 2009-2010 need:

- 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap) if 5 years has elapsed since last tetanus immunization)
- 1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV)

We ask you to read the handbook carefully and then to complete the form below. This form should be returned to the Main Office on or before September 14<sup>st</sup>. Thank you for your cooperation. We look forward to a wonderful year.

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### **Villa Maria Academy 2009-2010**

**We have read the PARENT-STUDENT HANDBOOK and realize our responsibility to support and follow the policies in this HANDBOOK.**

Student Name(s) and Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date received by School \_\_\_\_\_