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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Measles can spread very rapidly among populations. The Warren County Health District and Springboro Community City Schools want to make families aware of the disease in the region and the steps they can take to protect their family from measles.

Measles is a viral infection that spreads through coughing and sneezing. It is very contagious, but most school-aged children who are fully vaccinated with two doses of measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) vaccine are protected from measles. However, about 3 in 100 people who have received two doses of MMR vaccine will still get measles if exposed to the virus. Usually about 7-14 days (but up to 21 days) after exposure, measles begins with a cough, runny nose, red eyes, and a fever. About 3-5 days later, a red blotchy rash appears, usually first on the face, along the hairline and behind the ears. The rash rapidly spreads downward to the chest and back and, finally, to the thighs and feet. Measles is contagious up to 4 days prior to rash onset and 4 days after rash onset.

Most students with measles are sick enough that they miss at least a week of school. One in 5 people infected with measles will need to be in the hospital. Serious, even life-threatening complications such as pneumonia and brain swelling can occur from measles infection.

Check out the FAQ for more information:

[Measles FAQ](#)

In Ohio, two doses of measles vaccine are required for all pupils in grades K-12. MMR (Measles, Mumps & Rubella) vaccine is effective and safe. MMR vaccines are available from healthcare providers, some urgent cares (call first), and the Warren County Health District (you may call (513) 695-1468 to schedule an appointment). **If there was a case of Measles in your child's school, all children without documentation of two doses of measles vaccine are required to be immediately excluded from school.**

Sincerely,

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