## **Little Wound School Board**

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August 24, 2021

Dear Parent and Guardian:

RE: Required COVID-19 Vaccination of Little Wound Student Athletes

At a Little Wound School Board special meeting held on August 19, 2021, the Board took action to require the COVID-19 vaccination of all student athletes who are 12 years and older as a condition of participation in LWS athletic programs.

Effective September 3, 2021, all student athletes must bring to the Little Wound School proof of receiving the first COVID-19 vaccination and completion of the second vaccination, if the student has taken a two-shot series vaccine by September 30, 2021.

All student athletes who do not turn in their proof of receiving the first shot of the COVID-19 vaccine by September 3, 2021 will not be allowed to practice or participate in scheduled athletic contests after 9/3/2021.

Parents may apply for reasonable accommodations exempting a student from the vaccination requirement on the basis of a religious or spiritual belief or based on a medical exception. These cases will be looked at individually by the LWS Administration.

LWS School will host a community COVID-19 vaccination event where the vaccine will be available at no cost to students and families on our campus on Thursday, September 2, 2021 from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm.

LWS believes this action is in the best interests of LWS and our student athletes as it is the most effective way to keep our student athletes safe this school year. It also allows for a greater likelihood that our athletic seasons are not interrupted by large-scale COVID-19 exposures of our athletic teams resulting in cancellation of athletic events.

For more information or questions call Keith Ferguson, AD Director, at 605-441-8800.

Respectfully, Charles Cuny, Jr., Superintendent Little Wound School