

## SENATOR JIM ALESI



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New NY Leaders: Student Intern Program



The "*New* New York Leaders Student Internship Program" is continuing to accept applications until Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup> for Fall 2012 positions. The statewide <u>website</u> collects all internship opportunities at all state agencies and centralizes them at one domain. The initiative was launched this summer as part of Governor Cuomo's "*New* New York Leaders Program" and brings students into state government where they will be exposed to the work of governing through hands-on experience.

Students can directly apply to over 400 <u>internships</u> through the website. Positions are open to resident graduate and undergraduate students, including students who attend schools in other states, but reside in New York. The website also includes <u>links</u> to opportunities at the Senate, Assembly, Attorney General, and Comptroller's Office. In an effort to build awareness and ensure as many students as possible take advantage of these internship opportunities, please pass the word along to any students you think may be interested!

## August is National Immunization Awareness Month

As parents enroll their children for the upcoming school year and college students head back to campus, August is the perfect time to remind friends and family to catch up on their vaccinations. The goal of National Immunization Awareness Month is to heighten understanding about the importance of immunizations across the life span, from infants to the elderly. Immunization is one of the most effective ways to protect children and adults from common diseases. Ensuring that you and your family are up-to-date on your immunizations can help alleviate costly doctors' visits and hospitalizations down the road. The <u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's</u> website has a complete immunization schedule, which can be found <u>here</u>.

## Summer Reading Program is in Full Swing



As we head into August and begin to enter "back-to-school" mode, I would like to remind parents and students that my <u>Summer Reading Program</u> is still open to students.

All students – specifically those in grades four through six – in my district are welcome to participate in the program. In order to participate, students should read at least three books over the summer and record their thoughts about their chosen works in online reading journals. Students who submit a completed journal by the end of the summer will receive a Summer Reading Certificate to recognize their efforts. This year's program will once again feature the NY Read website, <u>www.nyread.com</u>. Any student interested in participating in the program can do so <u>here</u>. Should you have any questions or if you would like more information about the Summer Reading Program, please contact my District Office at (585) 223-1800. Happy reading!

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