

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As your child advances to Kindergarten, he/she will need a current physical along with updated immunizations. Enclosed you will find a blue "State of CT Health Assessment Form." You will need to complete the front of the blue form. The rest of the form needs to be completed by your physician and returned to the school nurse (Sue Cowan) before your child can start Kindergarten this August.

The following is a list of immunizations required by the State of Connecticut:



1. **DPT (Diphtheria, Pertussis, and Tetanus):** Series of 3 plus a booster after the age of four.
2. **POLIO (ORAL or IPV):** At least 3 doses...the third or final must be after age four.
3. **MMR (Measles, Mumps, and Rubella):** 2 doses for children entering kindergarten.
4. **HIB:** Children below age 5 prior to school entry must show proof of at least 1 HIB vaccine after their 1st birthday.
5. **Hepatitis B:** 3 doses for children entering pre-K and kindergarten.
6. **Varicella:** Any child born after January 1, 2010 or later must show proof of immunity via immunization or medical history per the physician or serologic proof.
7. **Pneumococcal:** 1 dose on or after 1st birthday.
8. **Flu shot:** This is no longer a requirement in kindergarten, but if your child has a chronic disease such as asthma, it is strongly recommended.

Your child will also need to have the following completed:

- ◆ A physical exam is required along with a **Hemoglobin or Hematocrit**.
- ◆ A dental exam (teeth and gums) is necessary (can be done by physician or dentist).
- ◆ If an immunization is not indicated for either medical or religious reasons, this must be indicated in writing. A doctor must document the medical exclusion.

YOUR CHILD CANNOT START SCHOOL IN AUGUST UNLESS THE BLUE FORM IS RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL NURSE (SUE COWAN) BY THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.

You may return the completed form to the school nurse (Sue Cowan) at any time, the sooner the better.

Sincerely,

Sue Cowan RN BS ENPC-I-School Nurse