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HEALTH – IMMUNIZATION AND PHYSICAL EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS

IMMUNIZATION AND PHYSICAL EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL ENTRY

*****Preschool through Grade Eight*****

No child will be officially registered and/or allowed to attend IDCS unless there is verification of IMMUNIZATIONS and a documented PHYSICAL EXAMINATION on record as mandated by Connecticut General Statutes 10-204a and Section 10-206.

IMMUNIZATIONS:

When verification, FAX, or verbal communications (followed by written verification) to a former school and/or health facility requesting Immunization history (all dates must include month, day, and year of each immunization dose). Telephone communications must be documented and signed by the person obtaining the information. Inquiries may be made by the school nurse or administrative school personnel.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT REQUIREMENTS:

DTP/DtaP	All students 48-71 months (4-6 years) of age entering school (Kindergarten through grade 8) must show proof of at least four (4) doses of DTP/DtaP vaccine with at least one (1) dose given on or after the fourth birthday and <u>before school entry.</u>
Polio	All students 48-71 months (4-6 years) of age entering school (Kindergarten through grade 8) must show proof of at least four (4) doses of Polio (OPV/IPV) vaccine with at least one (1) dose given on or after the fourth birthday and <u>before school entry.</u>
Measles, Mumps & Rubella (MMR)	Effective August 2000, all students entering kindergarten must show proof of having received two (2) doses of measles containing vaccine. This new regulation does not change the regulation that students entering 7 th grade also show proof of having received two (2) doses of measles-containing vaccine. At least one (1) dose of mumps vaccine and at least one (1) dose of rubella are required.
HIB	At least one (1) dose required, if student is under the age of five on the first day of school.
Hepatitis B	Children born 01/01/94 or later must have received three (3) doses of vaccine. New 7th grade entry requirement – Effective August 2000 All 7 th grade students must show receipt of at least one (1) dose of Hepatitis B or show proof of serologic evidence of infection with Hepatitis B. Effective August 2001 – Students entering 8th grade must show proof of three (3) doses of Hepatitis B vaccine or serologic evidence of Hepatitis B infection.
Varicella	Effective August 2000, All students are required to show proof of immunity to Varicella for entry into grade 7 PROOF OF IMMUNITY: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Documentation of age appropriate immunization (one dose given on or after the first birthday, if child is under 13 years; two doses given at least thirty (30) days apart for students whose initial vaccination is at 13 years and older. 2. Serologic evidence of past infection. 3. Statement signed and dated by a physician, PA, or APRN indicating that the student has already had chickenpox based on family or medical history. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO WRITE THE DATE THAT THE STUDENT HAD THE DISEASE. All students born 01/01/97 or later must show proof of immunity to Varicella for entry into licensed pre-school programs and kindergarten.

IMMUNIZATIONS-EXCEPTIONS

There are exceptions that permit a child to be excluded from the above numerated immunizations, namely:

1. A certificate is presented from a physician or local health agency, stating that initial immunizations have been given to such child and that additional immunizations are in process under guidelines and schedules specified by the Commissioner of Health Service; or
2. A certificate is presented from a physician, stating that in the opinion of such physician, such immunization is medically contraindicated because of the physical condition of such child; or
3. A statement is presented from the parents or guardian or such child that such immunization would be contrary to the religious beliefs of such child; or
4. In the case of measles, mumps, or rubella, a certificate is presented from a physician or from the Director of Health in such child's present or previous town of residence, stating that the child has had a confirmed case of such disease.
5. in the case of haemophilus influenzae type B has passed his fifth birthday; OR
6. in the case of pertussis, has passed his sixth birthday; OR
7. he/she has had a natural infection confirmed by laboratory report (except varicella); OR
8. he/she has had varicella confirmed in writing by a physician or laboratory report.

Therefore, those children not exempted by the mandate of this act by the enumerated exceptions above, shall be required to be adequately immunized.

INCOMPLETE IMMUNIZATIONS OR NO IMMUNIZATION HISTORY

SEE STATE REGULATIONS FOR IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE – NOTE Refer to school nurse for determination of school entry

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:

1. A completed physical examination dated and signed by a physician, PA, or APRN must be presented to school authorities before school entry.
2. FAX and/or telephone confirmation from a former school or health facility will satisfy the requirement until a hard copy is sent to the receiving school.
3. Physicals must be consistent with IDCS policies concerning physical examination requirements prior to school entry and in grade 6.
EXCEPTION: Students entering from another country must have received a complete physical examination within the current school year.
4. A test for Tuberculosis must be included with the physical examination information for school entry.

NOTE: Students may be temporarily allowed to enter school without the required physical if:
(a) An appointment had been made for the necessary physical (earliest date possible)

Legal References: Public Act 78-165
Public Act 91-327
Public Act 84-46
Connecticut General Statutes 10-204 Immunizations
Connecticut General Statutes 10-208 Exemption From Treatment