

Nurse News For Parents with Students Entering Kdg – 12th Grade in the 2019-2020 School Year:

It is time to start making the physical appointments for your upcoming Kindergartener, 6th or 9th grader. As you know it is state mandated that your child have a physical for the **Kindergarten, 6th grade, and 9th grade** years. This needs to be completed prior to registration or your child **will not** be allowed to start school until it is completed. A physical form will be sent home with each 5th and 8th grade student on **May 6th**. If you have the physical done anytime from now through the month of June you may stop by the office and pick up the form to take with you then bring it to the office and it will be filed until registration time. You will not have to worry about keeping it safe over the summer! If it is done after these dates please bring the completed form with you on the central registration day. **Also, please be sure that all the highlighted areas are filled out.** Please don't wait to make your appointment because the physician's fill their openings quickly.

****Exciting News****

The Wabash County Health Department is hosting a **Summer Kick-Off!!** **Friday, May 31st, 2019 from 10:00 am – 6:00 pm.** Services available are immunizations, lead screenings, FREE school physicals, FREE dental exams, for children with no medical or dental home. To schedule an appointment please call 263-3873. Games, Food, Activities and Giveaways!!!! Please call early to make your appointment.

****Tdap Immunization Requirement****

Any child entering **6th through 12th** grade shall show proof of receiving one dose of Tdap (defined as tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis) vaccine regardless of the interval since the last DTap, DT or Td dose.

Chicken pox Vaccine(Varicella):

Any child entering **Kindergarten through 12th** grade shall show proof of having received **two** doses of varicella vaccine.

Meningitis(MCV₄) requirement:

The requirement is for **6th through 11th** grade entry. All students entering these grade levels must show proof of **one** dose of MCV₄. All students entering **12th** grade must show proof of **two** doses of MCV₄. **The second**

dose must be after 16 years of age. If the first dose of MCV₄ was given after age 16 then only one dose is required at 12th grade.

School vs. Sports Physical

If your child is entering the appropriate grade level that requires a school physical then that physical will be accepted as a sports physical as well. Please note that the IHSA sports physical form **WILL NOT** be accepted as a school physical.

Self-Carry Medication

If your child is required to self-carry an inhaler, epi-pen, or diabetic medication then the Authorization for Self-Carry/Administration of Medicine must be filled out by the physician and the parent/guardian. Please ask the school nurse for this form prior to visiting the physician. It is also recommended that an extra dose of medication be brought to the school and left in the nurse's office in the instance that the medication is not available.

*** State Dental Exam Requirement***

Parents, please note that the State of Illinois requires that all children entering **Kindergarten, 2nd, 6th and 9th** grades have an oral health examination. A licensed dentist must perform the examination and he/she will need to sign the proof of examination form. Each child shall present proof of examination by a dentist prior to **May 15, 2020**. The exam must be recorded on the Illinois State Form and must have been completed within 18 months of the deadline (**completed between 11/15/18 and 5/15/20**). Anyone either failing to provide the required exam or filing a waiver with the school will have their report card withheld until such time as they become compliant. These forms will be sent home with the physical forms on May 6th. If you have appointments prior to the forms being sent home please stop by the office to get the form to take with you.

State Vision Exam Requirement

It is required that children entering Illinois schools for the first time at **kindergarten** or after receive an eye exam. Therefore, if you have a child that will be entering kindergarten in 2019-2020 then an eye exam will be required to be completed by **October 15, 2019**.

Requirements

Kindergarten

- School Physical Exam
- Up-to-date immunizations
- Lead Screening
- Dental Exam
- Vision Exam

1st Grade

- Up-to-date immunizations

2nd Grade

- Dental Exam
- Up-to-date immunizations

3rd/4th/5th Grade

- Up-to-date immunizations

6th Grade

- School Physical Exam
- Up-to-date immunizations
 - Tdap
 - Meningitis
- Dental Exam

7th /8th Grade

- Up-to-date immunizations
- Sports Physical if needed

9th Grade

- School Physical Exam
- Up-to-date immunizations
- **Dental Exam** New for 19-20

10th/11th

- Up-to-date immunizations
- Sports Physical if needed

12th Grade

- Up-to-date immunizations
 - Meningitis
- Sports Physical if needed

All registration and health forms can be found for your convenience at www.wabash348.com

If you have any questions please call 262-5104 ext 112.

Thank you!

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