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Re: Physical Examination/Immunization Requirements for School Entrance

Dear Parents,

We hope this letter finds you well during these challenging times. We are keeping an eye on developments, however, at this time, the Illinois Department of Public Health has not issued modification to the usual health requirements for school attendance. If your child has already had any of the required exams within the stated time frames below, please contact your healthcare provider to obtain a copy of the exam. If the exam is pending or needs to be scheduled, please contact your healthcare provider to schedule the exam and immunizations according to currently allowed availability.

Per the Illinois Department of Public Health, **any child entering 6th grade shall provide health records as follows:**

- proof of having received all required vaccinations including 1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine and 1 dose of Tdap on or after their 11th birthday, in addition to the other required immunizations. HPV series is also highly recommended.
- a current physical examination completed within the previous 12 months from the first day of school. The physician must complete all elements of the exam, document the exam on the form, sign and date the form, and provide the physician's address and phone number on the form. The parent **MUST COMPLETE** the student's health history portion of the physical exam form, and include a signature and date by the parent/guardian.
- A dental exam completed within the previous 18 months (dental exam is due May 15th each school year).

All exams (physical, vision and dental) must be documented on an Illinois approved form. **Approved forms are available on the District 205 website, The Illinois Department of Public Health website, or from your physician's office.**

Please submit your student's physical exam and immunization records to the school your child will be attending in the fall of 2020, by the first day of school. We strongly recommend you keep a copy of all health forms turned in for your records. Incomplete forms and/or medical documentation will be returned to you for completion or correction. If the health office has not received your student's health records and required information in a timely manner, exclusion from school will occur October 15th per State of Illinois requirements and District 205 policy and procedure.

If you have any questions, or your child has special medical needs, contact the nurse in your child's health office.

Thank you,

Elmhurst School District #205 Health Services