

REQUIREMENT FOR REGISTRATION IN THE FAIRFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The following are health requirements for students entering preschool, kindergarten, or transferring into other grades. These requirements conform to state law and Fairfield Board of Education policy. Please contact your child’s school nurse if you have questions or if you need further information.

Immunizations

A complete immunization record must be presented before a child enters school. For all students, this record must show date of adequate immunization against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, poliomyelitis (initial series plus booster given on or after the fourth birthday), Varicella, Hepatitis B vaccine, and against Measles, Mumps and Rubella. Additionally, adequate immunization must be shown for the following:

Hib	1 dose given on or after the first birthday for students under five years of age.
Pneumococcal	1 dose given on or after the first birthday for students under five years of age.
Hepatitis A	2 doses for all students given 6 months apart. First dose given on or after the first birthday.
Influenza	1 dose for students under five years of age enrolled in preschool. Vaccine administered annually between August 1 and December 31 st . Individuals receiving the vaccine for the first time require two doses.
Measles, Mumps, Rubella	2 doses. First dose given on or after the first birthday.
Varicella	2 doses. First dose given on or after the first birthday.
Tdap	1 dose for those enrolled in 7 th grade.
Meningococcal	1 dose for those enrolled in 7 th grade.

Under certain circumstances, proof of immunity based upon specific blood testing or disease certification is acceptable in lieu of immunization. Blood testing is accepted for MMR, Varicella, Hep A and Hep B immunity ONLY. For further information, contact the school nurse.

Connecticut state statutes permit exemptions from receiving immunizations if vaccination is medically contraindicated and such contraindication is certified by a physician and is in accordance with the provisions of state law. A written statement is needed. For further information, contact the school nurse.

Health Assessments (Physical Examinations)

A complete health assessment done by a physician or osteopath licensed to practice in the United States, or by an advanced practice registered nurse, registered nurse, or Physician’s Assistant licensed to practice in Connecticut, must be presented to the school before a child enters school. A State of Connecticut Health Assessment form is provided by the school to be completed when your child receives the required health assessment. All required information must be completed before the health assessment may be accepted.

For students entering preschool and kindergarten, the health assessment must have been done on or after August 15 of the school year preceding entry into these grades. For older students, the health assessment must have been done as recently as the last required health assessment for the student’s grade level. The school nurse will inform you of the acceptable time frame for your child’s health assessment.

Tuberculosis Risk Assessment

Health Assessments shall include documentation of the student’s risk of exposure to tuberculosis. For students entering school in Fairfield from a region with a high prevalence of tuberculosis, a Quantiferon blood test is required. Regions with a high prevalence of tuberculosis include those identified as such by the Connecticut Department of Public Health.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I have received and read the above requirements. I understand that my child shall not be permitted to register for or attend school until such time as the requirements are fulfilled.

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Parent Signature	Date	Home Phone
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Student’s Name	Grade	School