

Maryland Schools Record of Physical Examination

To Parents or Guardians:

In order for your child to enter a Maryland Public school for the first time, the following are required:

- **A physical examination by a physician or certified nurse practitioner must be completed within nine months prior to entering the public school system or within six months after entering the system.** A Physical Examination form designated by the Maryland State Department of Education and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall be used to meet this requirement.
<https://2019-dsd.maryland.gov/regulations/Pages/13A.05.05.07.aspx>
- **Evidence of complete primary immunizations against certain childhood communicable diseases is required for all students in preschool through the twelfth grade.** A Maryland Immunization Certification form for newly enrolling students may be obtained from the local health department or from school personnel. The immunization certification form (DHMH 896) or a printed or a computer-generated immunization record form and the required immunizations must be completed before a child may attend school. This form can be found at: https://health.maryland.gov/phpa/OIDEOR/IMMUN/Shared%20Documents/MDH_896_form.pdf.
- **Evidence of blood testing is required for all students who reside in a designated at-risk area when first entering Pre-kindergarten, Kindergarten, and 1st grade.** The Maryland Department of Health Blood Lead Testing Certificate (DHMH 4620) (or another written document signed by a Health Care Practitioner) shall be used to meet this requirement. This form can be found at: <https://health.maryland.gov/phpa/OEHFP/Documents/MDH%20Blood%20Lead%20Testing%20Certificate%202023.fillable.pdf>

Exemptions from a physical examination and immunizations are permitted if they are contrary to a students' or family's religious beliefs. Students may also be exempted from immunization requirements if a physician/nurse practitioner or health department official certifies that there is a medical reason not to receive a vaccine. Exemptions from Blood-Lead testing is permitted if it is contrary to a family's religious beliefs and practices. The Blood- lead certificate must be signed by a Health Care Practitioner stating a questionnaire was done.

The health information on this form will be available only to those health and education personnel who have a legitimate educational interest in your child.

Please complete Part I of this Physical Examination form. Part II must be completed by a physician or nurse practitioner, or a copy of your child's physical examination must be attached to this form.

If your child requires medication to be administered in school, you must have the physician complete a medication administration form for each medication. This form can be obtained at <http://marylandpublicschools.org/about/Documents/DSFSS/SSSP/SHS/medforms/medicationform404.pdf>. If you do not have access to a physician or nurse practitioner or if your child requires a special individualized health procedure, please contact the principal and/or school nurse in your child's school.

Maryland State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Maryland State Department of Education

Records Retention - This form must be retained in the school record until the student is age 21.

Part 1 Health Assessment

To be completed by parent or guardian

Student's Name (Last, First, Middle) _____ Birthdate (MM/DD/YY) _____ Gender _____ Grade _____

Name of School _____ Phone _____

Address (Number, Street, City, State, Zip) _____

Parent / Guardian Names _____

Where do you usually take your child for routine medical care? _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Address _____

When was the last time your child had a physical exam? Month _____ Year _____

Where do you usually take your child for dental care? _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Address _____

Assessment of Student Health

To the best of your knowledge, has your child has any problem with the following? Please check and provide comments if yes.

Student Health Issues	Yes	No	Comments
Allergies (Food, Insects, Drugs, Latex)			
Allergies (Seasonal)			
Asthma or Breathing Problems			
Behavior or Emotional Problems			
Birth Defects			
Bleeding Problems			
Cerebral Palsy			
Dental			
Diabetes			
Ear Problems or Deafness			
Eye or Vision Problems			
Head Injury			
Heart Problems			
Hospitalizations (When, Where)			
Lead Poisoning / Exposure			
Learning Problems / Disabilities			
Limits on Physical Activity			
Meningitis			
Prematurity			
Problem with Bladder			
Problem with Bowels			
Problem with Coughing			
Seizures			
Serious Allergic Reactions			
Sickle Cell Disease			
Speech Problems			
Surgery			
Other			

Part 1 Health Assessment - continued

To be completed by parent or guardian

Does your child take any medication?

No Yes Name(s) of Medications _____

No Yes Treatment _____, etc.

Does your child require any special procedure(s) (catheterization, etc.)?

No Yes Specify _____

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

Part II – School Health Assessment
To be completed ONLY by Physician / Nurse Practitioner

Student's Name (Last, First, Middle) _____ Birthdate (MM/DD/YY) _____ Gender _____ Grade _____

Name of School _____

1. Does the child have a diagnosed medical condition?

No _____ Yes _____

2. Does the child have a health condition which may require EMERGENCY ACTION while he/she is at school? (e.g., seizure, insect sting allergy, asthma, bleeding problem, diabetes, heart problem, or other problem) If yes, please DESCRIBE. Additionally, please “work with your school nurse to develop an emergency plan”.

No _____ Yes _____

3. Are there any abnormal findings on evaluation for concern?

No _____ Yes _____

Evaluation Findings / Concerns

Physical Exam	WNL	ABNL	Area of Concern	Health Area of Concern	Yes	No
Head				Attention Deficit / Hyperactivity		
Eyes				Behavior / Adjustment		
ENT				Development		
Dental				Hearing		
Respiratory				Immunodeficiency		
Cardiac				Lead Exposure / Elevated Lead		
GI				Learning Disabilities / Problems		
GU				Mobility		
Musculoskeletal/ Orthopedic				Nutrition		
Neurological				Physical Illness / Impairment		
Skin				Psychosocial		
Endocrine				Speech / Language		
Psychosocial				Vision		
Other				Other		

4. **RECORD OF IMMUNIZATIONS** – DHMH 896 is required to be completed by a health care provider or a computer-generated immunization record must be provided.

Part II – School Health Assessment - continued
*To be completed **ONLY** by Physician / Nurse Practitioner*

5. Is the child on medication? If yes, indicate medication and diagnosis.

No Yes _____

(A medication administration form must be completed for medication administration in school).
<http://test.msde.maryland.gov/about/Documents/DSFSS/SSSP/SHS/medforms/medicationform404.pdf>

6. Should there be any restriction of physical activity in school? If yes, specify nature and duration of restriction.

No Yes _____

7. Screenings

Screenings	Results	Date Taken
Tuberculin Test		
Blood Pressure		
Height		
Weight		
BMI %tile		
Lead Test	Optional	
Hearing		
Vision		

(Child's Name) _____ has had a complete physical examination and has:

No evident problem that may affect learning or full school participation _____

Problems noted above _____

Additional Comments:

 Physician / Nurse Practitioner (Type or Print)

 Phone

 Physician / Nurse Practitioner (Signature)

 Date