

Important Health Information For New Students

Welcome to Lincoln Park! Please review the following health information prior to your child starting the upcoming school year. We are looking forward to meeting you in the fall!

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Students in **all** grades are required to have an up to date immunization record on file prior to starting school. Tdap/MCV is required for students **entering 7th grade** and 2nd dose of MCV for students **entering 12th grade**. Always ask for a copy of physical exam and immunization reports after any physical to avoid copy charges at a later date. Keep a copy for your records and return a copy to the school nurse for school health files. This needs to be **turned into the school**, via e-mail, fax or mail **before** the start of the school year or the student will risk exclusion.

GRADE 11 PHYSICALS

Pennsylvania school law requires school physicals for students entering school (Kindergarten), Grade Six, and **Grade Eleven**. This is a graduation requirement. Either the school doctor or the family doctor may do the exams. District policy states that we will accept any physical done within one year prior to a student's entry into the grade where an exam is required. That is, we will accept any private physical done from August (start of 10 grade year) to the spring of junior year. A copy of student's permit or license will suffice as proof of physical examination, as this is required to get license. If you have an appointment over the summer, I suggest you print a copy of the Physician Form below and have them fill it out at the time of appointment. This will avoid a copy charge at a later date.

Instructions to obtain a Private Physician Form for your doctor to complete:

www.health.state.pa.us/schoolhealth Choose "School Health Topics" and go to P "Physical Examinations" and open Physical Examination Form to print.

GRADE 7 DENTAL EXAM

The School Health Code of Pennsylvania requires a dental exam for **all** students in **Grade 7**. If you have an appointment over the summer, I suggest you print a copy of the Dental Form and have dentist fill it out at the time of the exam. The school dentist will be available to do an exam at no cost with parent permission one day during the school year.

Instructions to obtain Private Dental Exam Form for your dentist to complete:

www.health.state.pa.us/schoolhealth Choose "School Health Topics A-Z", go to D "Dental Health Forms" and open Private Dentist Report of Dental Examination of Pupil of School Age to print.

MEDICATIONS

Students are **NOT** permitted to keep medication on their person or in lunch boxes, lockers, purses. **THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS ARE EPI-PENS OR ASTHMA INHALERS, BUT MUST HAVE PHYSICIAN ORDER /PARENTAL CONSENT FORM ON FILE IN HEALTH OFFICE.** **Any** medication that is ordered to take on a daily and/or as needed basis during school hours **must** be brought to the health office in the original pharmacy bottle/packaging and physician order/ parent permission form **must** be on file in the health office. A physician order/parental consent form is needed for **both** prescription **and** over-the-counter medications, along with any treatment/procedure. Do **NOT** send medication in with the student unless all paperwork has been submitted. There is a standing order on file written by our school physician allowing the administration of Tylenol/Ibuprofen with parent permission. There is a limit of 10 doses total for the school year, so if you feel your child may require more than that, please have your private physician write an order for that medication. If you have an appointment over the summer, please ask the physician to write an order for the upcoming school year for any medication required. You may also e-mail me or contact the office over the summer to request the required forms that need to be filled out by physician.

Please contact me with any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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